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Sundar Shadi (above) spends two weeks each year setting his Christmas display (top) on Arlington Blvd.

Christmas wonderland

By Shannon Morgan

EL CERRITO—The three wise men are lined up on horseback, the miniature chickens are heading out the gate and the tiny town of Bethlehem is perched high on the hill for all to see.

After 45 years, children young and old are still flocking to see the Christmas display painstakingly created by Sundar Shadi each year in his front yard.

At 94 years old Shadi's effort is no small feat. It takes two weeks, with the help of volunteers from the El Cerrito Fire Department and El Cerrito High School students, to set up the animals, buildings, figures and lights that make up the winter wonderland.

And it took more than three decades to make and collect all of the elements that make up the elaborate exhibition.

"The idea came from my wife. We have three daughters and so I would put three trees outside at Christmas and light them. My wife said if we had a Bethlehem star it would look nice. She was such an inspiration. The next year I added a few houses and kept adding every year," said Shadi, sitting in his house reflecting on the years of work.

"It's a lot of work, especially on account of age and going up and

down when you forget things. If you have to go 50 times a day you're just worn out," he said.

Shadi said he's not sure how many more years he can keep doing the holiday display that attracts long lines of on-lookers from throughout the East Bay.

"I can't tell, it all depends on my health. It's getting tougher every year. I have to arrange everything in such a way that it looks natural. I've tried to do something for the pleasure of the community," Shadi said.

And that good will doesn't end with Christmas, says Shadi as he proudly displays hand made turkey figures used for a Thanksgiving display and three foot high deer he made from paper mache that grace the garden flowers at spring time.

But with all the effort (and money spent on materials and electricity), the surrounding community has yet to formally recognize Shadi's determination.

According to Shadi, there's never been a dinner, proclamation or official recognition in his honor. Though the fact seems to sadden him a bit, he doesn't let it get him down; the joy jumps into his eyes when told how many generations love and appreciate his endeavors.

Kensington fire contract pending

By Dawn Frasleur

The Kensington Fire District and the city of El Cerrito may have a rather complicated fire service relationship in the next few months, but it should allow for a permanent contract between the two jurisdictions by mid-spring. In the meantime, Kensington firefighters will get what they've been asking for all along — employment with Contra Costa County.

During the last couple of years, KFD board members have struggled over the future of Kensington's fire services. Continuing state revenue takeaways have made independent service more and more difficult. Contracting out services to either Berkeley or El Cerrito was studied by the board and debated by the community. The firefighters union pushed for consolidation of services with the county; a number of community members feel consolidation might be the way of the future but that the timing isn't right for now.

After deciding to contract out services to El Cerrito, the board has been busy in recent weeks working out all the details. The future employment of Kensington personnel

has been a major point for discussion. One possibility was that the Kensington employees would be offered employment in the El Cerrito Fire Department.

Except for the Kensington battalion chief, however, all the employees have expressed a preference to work for the county. The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District tentatively offered to accept a transfer of employees; the board of supervisors was to consider that offer at its meeting Tuesday.

"The fire fighters have all along wanted to stay in the county," said KFD board president Ron Egberman. "They wanted to stay within their union, their retirement system, to retain all the benefits they had as a result of being employees in Kensington."

The board and community, however, was not ready to consolidate services. Meet and confer meetings began when the board decided to contract with El Cerrito. During that period, said Egberman, the firefighters looked for alternative ways to stay with the county.

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Library proposal on its way to council

By Tara Suan

ALBANY—Edging closer to a compromise between community members who want greater accessibility to the Albany library and staff who are uneasy over operating changes, the Albany Library Board will ask for City Council approval of the experimental plan in January.

If approved, the plan calls for supplemental library services that will augment the existing 33 hours of operation, including the addition of two circulation only hours on Monday and Tuesday.

The council will also be asked to approve a group of bylaws which will govern the conduct and breadth of the Board's jurisdiction.

During the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on those days, the library will open for check-in and check-out of materials only. Librarians and researchers will not be available to assist patrons.

The plan drew early criticism

from staff librarians, who are concerned the circulation-only hours would place clerks in a position where they will have to field research questions when they are not adequately trained to do so.

In addition, staff feared the circulation only hours were the first sign of employee downsizing since the library would employ only clerks and desk assistants during those times.

County administrators, who run the Albany library branch, held a meet and confer session with staff union representatives Linda Wood, Alameda County Librarian, said.

Councilmember Robert Good, who is also a Library Board commissioner, said staff will be trained to compensate for the supplemental operating hours.

"It's the general reaction to any type of change," said Good. "From my standpoint, and from what I've heard other people say, it would be

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Ambitious plan for bikers

By Tara Suan

ALBANY—A newly formed city group hopes to separate bikers from their automobiles just one day — Bike to Work — in an effort to popularize power.

By Green Party-backed Mast, an Albany City Council member of the community, a committee to advocate non-motorized modes of transportation in city government.

This town we don't really have the opportunity to expand the bike or the bus system, but there are certainly things we can make it more bicycle-friendly," said Mast last week at Albany Community Center.

With council members, commissioners, including Holland of the Traffic and Commission, mothers and of the Albany area wasted in organizing plans to a statewide Bike to Work day 4 to local streets.

In conjunction with the state-organizers of the event the Albany Bicycle Coalition,

members of the committee will solicit veteran and greenhorn bicycle riders for pledges that they will ride to work or school on May 4 to show their support for bicyclists.

"The main thing we want to do is identify those people with an interest in bicycling. There have to be at least five hundred cyclists in Albany and this will help us find them," said Mast.

'What I would like is to be able to let my children ride their bicycles to school safely again.'

—SUSAN ADAMS, VISTA MACGREGOR PARENTS

But despite the enthusiasm, the advisory committee won't be able to draw on city staff for support.

On Dec. 5, the City Council signaled their support for cyclists'

advocacy groups by endorsing Albany's proposal for a Bike Albany day on May 4.

However, after some discussion, the council decided not to commit city resources to the project nor did they approve Mast's recommendation the city form a Bicycle Advisory Commission to give voice to some non-motorized transportation interests.

Council members said they could not spare city manpower for the proposal, and suggested Mast organize an advocacy group from the community at large. The citizens of Albany join other Bay Area cities in championing the virtues of non-motorized transportation. The City Councils of Berkeley and Oakland have lent moral and financial assistance to bicycle advisory groups in their jurisdictions.

The Albany group also decided on a course of long-term action for advocating bicycle interests in city circles.

Susie Sanderson, an Albany

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Let there be lights



Albany resident Ron Brill, with son Jake and their dog Libby worked to light up their neighborhood near Dartmouth and Kains streets with Christmas cheer this year.

■ Remembering when

By William Paul

Soviet farmers' adventures in America

The following is the first of three parts.

From the minute we took those damn Russians off the plane in San Francisco to a few minutes before we put them back on a plane in Los Angeles, four days later, they were a headache. I had enjoyed every minute of it.

Those particular Russians made up the Soviet Farm Delegation — a group of about a dozen so-called farmers who came over in the summer of 1955 to learn from seeing how American farmers raised so much more food and fiber than they could.

They toured the huge grain belt of the Midwest and a little of the South, and now they were about to visit California, home of Disneyland, Hollywood, and all those other places where things are accomplished by using mirrors.

My (at that time) boss and a retired, former dean of agriculture had spent many hours working out an itinerary that would embrace as many places and things they felt might be of interest and benefit to Russian agriculture as possible. They had it planned almost to the hour for almost four days, and had included meals and other forms of hospitality to add enjoyment to the trip. They had done a beautiful job. Of planning, that is.

My boss and the former dean would ride in the chartered bus; I would drive a station wagon loaded with some sound equipment, some refreshments for members of the press, the boss' son (who was a real help on the job), and stay a few jumps ahead of the bus to get things set up at each stop before the bus arrived. Did you ever try to stay ahead of a Greyhound bus that was said to be "governed" at 65 mph? Forget it. Don't even try.

The Russians' plane arrived on time about 7 p.m. We picked them up at the airport and took them to the Mark Hopkins for the night. And that's the last time we did anything on time.

The schedule called for leaving the next morning at about 7 and making our first stop at a farm near Tracy to show off a sugar beet harvester. "Nyet. First vee place wreath on grave of Luther Burbank with ribbon saying 'To Luther Burbank from Soviet Farm Delegation.' Have made, please."

Luther Burbank's grave is about 50 miles in the wrong direction; it's long after any florist is open for business to make a wreath; the folks near Tracy are expecting us to show up about 9 a.m.

The only bright light in all this darkness is that yours truly had been stationed in Santa Rosa for a while during World War II and even knew under which tree L.B. was buried in his garden, and I was the only one around who did know that bit of intelligence.

After about two dozen telephone calls to get the wreath made by a friendly florist in Berkeley and delivered at the hotel at 7, and everyone involved in Tracy notified, we managed to get some shuttles for a few hours.

The next morning we took off shortly after 7, headed north instead of east, and I had no problem staying ahead of the bus... he didn't dare pass me because I was the only one who knew where we were going. Mission accomplished at the Burbank garden, we headed for the next stop by different routes, and since I knew a short-cut I stayed well ahead.

I had two riders from the Fourth Estate: one named Tom Whitney of Associated Press,

and a former Russian who worked for Newsweek. This second man had been a flyer in the Russian Air Force who had flown Lend-Lease planes to Russia, but had decamped and stayed in the United States, so wasn't too popular with the delegation members.

Tom had been former Moscow Bureau Chief for AP, married a Russian girl, and spoke Russian like a native. I wished I could have read their conversation in the back seat. They could have been very interesting — especially when they broke out in uproarious laughter.

We arrived in Tracy in time for lunch, then went out to the farm where they had expected us four hours before. Our hosts were a bit miffed at the wasted food they had planned to feed us but were hospitable. They showed off their huge beet digger and were politely asked what we found to be standard questions the Russians asked everywhere they stopped, numbers of kilos-per-acre yield — stuff like that, that didn't mean anything.

But as to being interested in the big digger... "Da — vee have something quite similar..." Baloney! They weren't about to take up room in one of their factories to build a monster beet digger and use up all that steel when they could use the same factory and same steel to build a tank.

So we bade our disappointed hosts "spacezo" (that's what it sounds like), which means thanks, and took off for Fresno, where I practiced driving fast enough to stay ahead of a 65-mph bus by keeping my speedometer at around 80. And near Fresno we began to see machinery they were interested in. I'll tell you about it in my next column.

■ Letters to the Editor

Modern miracle

Editor:

I think I witnessed a modern medical miracle in your paper. That is, that a brain-dead person can actually write and mail a letter.

I'm speaking of the letter from Elise Morgan, who states that pro-casino brochures looked like "Nazi propaganda."

Give me a break! She must have bought one of those \$19.95 Ronco imagination stretchers advertised on TV.

Measure F passed. Welcome to the '90s. Let the card room proceed and stop crying over spilled milk.

Paul Schure
Albany

Growing debate

Editor:

The letter of Robert Outis (Dec. 15) continues a hopefully growing community debate on two important issues: nastiness and mythology in Albany politics.

1) Mythology

(a) Many letters to The Journal in the past few years have developed a theme that money can literally buy an election in Albany. Bob Outis writes:

"After all, our history, both distant and recent, is riddled with examples of sales to high bidders. Remember the Council elections of 1992 and 1994?"

I do remember those elections.

In 1992 we had five candidates for three seats. The two top vote-getters were Mike Brodsky (2,139 votes) and Thelma Rubin (1,705 votes) — they were the runaway winners, yet they spent very different amounts on their campaigns. Both were very popular, and despite the impressions some have, I believe they both are still very popular.

The election really came down to the last three, only one of whom could win. The final three finished as follows:

Robert Good 1,258 votes
Bill Lewis 1,233 votes
Diedre Sanchez 1,200 votes

Of this group, Bob Good spent the least and Diedre Sanchez spent the most, and the supporters of Bill Lewis made the understandable mistake of being overconfident and failed to knock on enough doors.

The lesson of 1992? Mike Brodsky would have beaten Bob Good no matter what he spent, and Bob Good beating Bill Lewis and Diedre Sanchez had nothing to do with money.

In 1994 we had four candidates for two seats. Bruce Mast (2,068 votes) and Elizabeth Baker (1,932 votes) were the winners.

Toward the end it looked like a race of Baker and Cain against the newcomer, Mast. Baker and Cain were the incumbents, and they actively endorsed each other. Yet Cain only got 1,713 votes, meaning that 219 voters abandoned Cain and voted for either Bruce Mast or Stephan Pastis. Since Pastis ran no campaign at all, his 446 votes look like protest votes.

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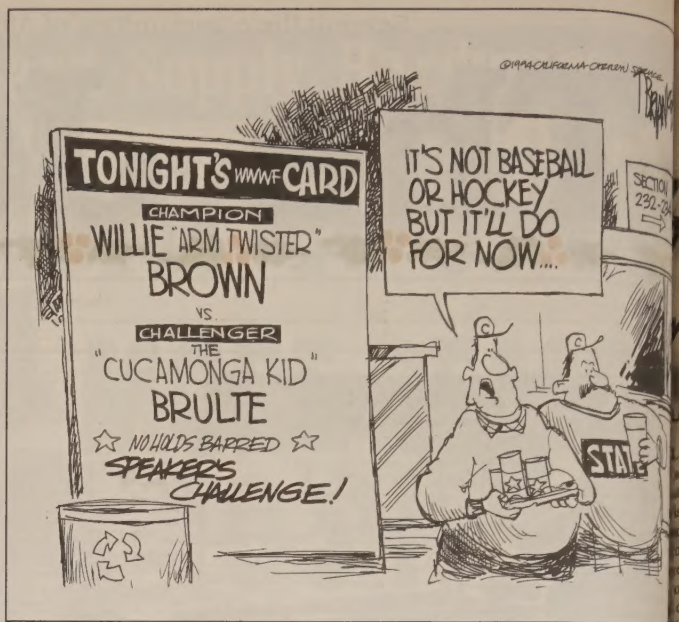
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■ Police Reports

Two teens arrested after robbery attempt

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — Two teenage boys from Richmond and El Cerrito, ages 15 and 16 years old, approached a 15-year-old Albany boy and a 16-year-old Berkeley boy on the 1500 block of Solano Avenue and demanded money on the afternoon of Dec. 18. The Albany teen gave them money and the Berkeley teen handed over his wallet. There was no money in the wallet and the robbers threatened the boys with violence if they reported the incident.

The above robbers reportedly also approached a 14-year-old Albany boy a few minutes later and demanded money, threatening violence if he didn't comply. The victim had no money. He reported the incident, and pointed out the robbers, to a local business owner who flagged down police. The suspects were identified by all parties and arrested.

A resident on the 1000 block of Santa Fe Avenue reported that sometime between 11 p.m. on Dec. 11 and 6 a.m. on Dec. 12 unknown thieves stole a dark green cast iron bench with metal slats from her front porch. She did not hear anything and there were no witnesses.

Unknown thieves broke the kitchen door window of a residence on the 1500 block of Marin Avenue sometime between 7:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 12. They stole video game cartridges and departed unseen.

At about 1:45 a.m. on Dec. 13 employees of a bar the 1000 block of San Pablo Avenue reported that two subjects were outside kicking the front door and yelling. Officers responded and found the two subjects kicking the door. Both had been drinking and stated that they were angry because the employees of the bar had treated them poorly. While officers were questioning the subjects a cab arrived that the two had called earlier. Both were admonished regarding their behavior and were allowed to depart.

On the night of Dec. 13 Albany officers observed a 1986

Dodge Power Ram pickup parked while blocking a driveway on the 900 block of Pierce Street. A check of the vehicle revealed it had five unpaid parking violations. The car was towed.

Unknown thieves cut the screen over a back door window of a residence on the 1300 block of Marin Avenue on the night of Dec. 13. They then opened the window, entered the house and stole various items of value. There were no witnesses and no physical evidence was obtained.

On the afternoon of Dec. 13 unknown vandals used a dog's ball to break a rear window of a residence on the 900 block of Ramona Avenue. They entered the house, prowled around and departed. No evidence was obtained.

A resident on the 900 block of Santa Fe Avenue reported that he parked his 1987 four-door Buick Park Avenue in front of his house at about 10 p.m. on Dec. 13 and found it gone the next morning. There were no witnesses.

In a similar case a resident on the 500 block of Talbot Avenue reported parking his black 1991 Chevy Caprice in front of his house at about 10:30 p.m. on Dec. 13 and also found it gone in the morning. There were no witnesses.

Unknown thieves smashed open the driver's window of a car belonging to a resident on the 900 block of Ordway Avenue on the morning of Dec. 14. They stole the in-dash stereo unit and departed unseen.

Unknown thieves pried the door lock of a car belonging to a resident on the 800 block of Pierce Street on the early morning of Dec. 14, removed the in-dash stereo and departed unseen.

Unknown thieves stole the front and rear tires from a Monogoose MB bike belonging to a resident on the 700 block of Kains Avenue on the morning of Dec. 15. It was secured to a railing and there were no witnesses.

Unknown thieves smashed the left rear wing window of a vehicle belonging to a resident on the 1200 block of Brighton Av-

enue during the early hours of Dec. 15. The dash am/fm cassette departed unseen.

At about 8 p.m. a resident on the 1000 Peralta Avenue reported attempted burglary of the rear basement panel had been pushed was not made and occurred.

Officers observed a man acting strangely tampering with a pickup truck near Monterey about 2:30 a.m. on Dec. 14. They approached the man but was apprehended found to have painted his possession and was on his way to Berkeley arrested and booked and released.

On the afternoon of Dec. 13 unknown thieves stole a dirty linen from a restaurant on the 900 block of San Pablo Avenue that was picked up from a line were no witnesses.

A man from Camarillo stopped for a vehicle violation and found to be standing warrant at about 10 p.m. on Dec. 18. He was arrested on the warrant and released.

At about 1 a.m. Albany officers received a call that a subject was seen in the area of a business on Santa Fe Avenue. Upon investigation, officers located the subject near San Pablo Avenue and arrested the suspect, also from Santa Fe Avenue, on the property of lumber was found premises near a hotel the suspects were seen.

During the week of Dec. 11 Albany officers printed four people a request, towed eight cars to 14 false alarms, and five people who were of their house or car.

Suspected rapist sought in El Cerrito

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — An unknown male is wanted for assault with intent to commit rape. An El Cerrito woman was approaching her car in the 500 block of Lexington Avenue when a man approached her, made threats against her, attacked and kicked her. The incident occurred Dec. 12 at about 10 p.m. The crime report was received three minutes later.

A San Francisco man was arrested at Target. He is accused of making threats of force against an El Cerrito woman and brandishing a knife at her in the parking lot in a robbery attempt at 8:04 p.m. Dec. 13.

A male suspect brandished a pistol at Warehouse employees at 10:55 p.m. Dec. 7. Cash was reported stolen.

An El Cerrito man said he was struck in the head by one of two male suspects while he was riding his skateboard in the 500 block of Ashbury Avenue Dec. 8 at 7:15 p.m. The victim suffered a concussion.

A male juvenile was arrested for possession of a loaded, concealed revolver following a pedestrian stop at 7:57 p.m. Dec. 8.

A pickpocket took a wallet from a Kensington woman after bumping into her when an accomplice blocked her entrance into Lucky at 12:30 p.m. Dec. 7.

A Richmond man was arrested at the FoodsCo at 4:08 p.m. Dec. 6 for switching price tags on meat, then demanding a refund of the difference when the correct prices were rung on the cash register.

A number of coinboxes were pried open in apartment laundry rooms; some attempts were successful. The incidents occurred in the 5900 block of San Diego Street during the daytime Dec. 13, the 3400 block of Yosemite Avenue on the morning of Dec. 13, the 1500 block of South 56th Street at 7:05 a.m. Dec. 9, the 3100 block of Yosemite at 11:30 p.m. Dec. 16 (male suspect arrested), and the 1700 block of Lexington at 2:15 a.m. Dec. 13.

A male suspect was peering through mail apartment building block of Lexington Avenue when approached on the afternoon of Dec. 13.

A Pittsburg man was arrested on the property of a residence on the 1000 block of Pierce Street and Monterey at 10 p.m. Dec. 16 for possession of stolen checks and money property.

Motor vehicles stolen were: a 1986 Chevrolet from the 3200 block of Lexington Avenue (evening of Dec. 11), a 1986 Chevrolet from the 500 block of Macdonald Avenue (night of Dec. 9), a 1986 Chevrolet from the 600 block of Seville from the 600 Clayton Avenue (daytime of Dec. 11), a 1974 Chevrolet from South 56th and Clayton Avenue (a.m., Nov. 26), a 1986 Chevrolet pickup (a company Professional Landscaping), stolen from the 1000 block of Jordan Avenue (evening of Dec. 11).

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in the cutting edge

Laura Stein
EL CERRITO — If the short, and wet days of winter find you at home in front of the television watching the same old news, try grabbing your remote control and watching something different. At 12 a.m., 4 p.m., 8 p.m. or 12 p.m., tune into your cable channel 25, and catch a episode of "Sidewalks".

"Sidewalks" is a unique hour show produced and directed by Richard R. Lee. There certainly is no other show like it.

"Sidewalks" is like David Byrne and Arsenio Hall's "Soul Train" Entertainment Tonight's weekend calendar section in a newspaper, with a touch of "The Tonight Show" and "The Search and Evening Magazine," but produced in the Bay Area by Richard R. Lee, producer and director of the mini-cable show.

Lee, a young Richmond resident, started "Sidewalks" six months ago on the side while he was working with a local production company.

His intention was to produce a variety TV show featuring Bay Area artists; to give the television spotlight to the peripheral "sidewalk" scene.

The Bay Area certainly has a shortage of live entertainment.

Lee acts on "Sidewalks" as a belly dancing, acrobatic, juggling, magicians, and rock

climbing dancers (yes, dancers who rock climb at the same time!).

Bay Area musicians can also be seen on "Sidewalks."

Because "Sidewalks" has a certain technical criteria, Lee, with the help of his small and hardworking volunteer crew, have produced MTV-like clips for local bands.

"I have high technical standards for what is aired on the show," says Lee.

The clips are highly professional and interesting. Bay Area musicians that can only be seen on "Sidewalks" include Chant, The Big Picture, Jenny Thing, McRae, and Denise Yvonne.

Cindy Rhodes, who has been working voluntarily on the "Sidewalks" crew for almost a year says the way they produce and direct clips for the show is only one aspect of the "Richard School of Broadcasting," using the term humorously to give credit to Lee and his hard work as a teacher and as the sole monetary sponsor of the production.

Most unique about Lee's philosophy in producing "Sidewalks" is to have a crew that is talented in all aspects of production.

Rhodes, for example, a graduate of Cal State Hayward and with a communications degree started her work on the show as a host.

She is now familiar with all aspects of production including floor management, editing,



Laura Stein

graphics, and lighting.

After trying out all the different jobs required for production, she says she likes being in front of the camera the best.

"Sidewalks" has steadily grown from Lee's original intentions, with national entertainers occasionally added to the show's lineup.

With the donated service of National Satellite Production Media Services, "Sidewalks" has been able to air interviews with celebrities including Valerie Harper of "Rhoda," James Wilder of "Melrose Place," Joan Rivers and Patti LaBelle.

Often celebrities will offer tips and suggestions for striving artists.

On one occasion Rhodes had the opportunity of interviewing Chris Isaak, a well known Bay Area recording artist.

"Sidewalks" has given me hands on experience and is a great opportunity. I am evolving as a T.V. host as the show itself is evolving," says Rhodes.

"Sidewalks" success is apparent not only with their interviews of high profile celebrities and coverage of local entertainment events, but also with their frequent calls from viewers.

Says Lee, "We get about eight to ten calls a week from viewers. Some give positive comments on the show, and some people call to comment that the hosts are pretty."



Laura Stein

Richard R. Lee (top) produces "Sidewalks" and Jennifer Pornoff and Lindy Rhodes are the show's hosts, which is produced in El Cerrito and features local entertainers.

Rhodes also commented on the apparent success of the show.

"Sometimes we'll hear talk that band members from one band will be talking to someone of another band and say, 'Hey you got a video on "Sidewalks" too?' Word of mouth has helped us a lot."

And the crew puts in long hours to see their shows through. Many are still students in college seeking hands on experience.

Lee hopes to be able to take his crew with him to the big time of a national broadcasting program.

But the road ahead has many

pay tolls. Lee single-handedly pays to keep "Sidewalks" going.

Studio costs, flyers, tapes, miscellaneous office supplies and occasionally air time are all paid out of Lee's pocket.

"Just imagine if we had the money for the equipment, unlimited editing... there would be no end to "Sidewalks," says Rhodes.

Lee hopes to not have to give up his show that has come so far. He has been a TV fan from the beginning; as a child he used to set his stuffed animals up and direct an imaginary TV show.

Lee is so involved in his work

he says, "I even dream in video."

Unfortunately, Lee and the rest of "Sidewalks" cannot fast forward life and see the destiny of their hard work.

The "Sidewalks" team is looking for assistance from the local entertainment industry, as well as any financial support and anyone interested in business in the entertainment field to help create "Sidewalks" as a self-sustaining production company and to continue the TV series.

Despite the crack in the pavement where money is concerned, "Sidewalks" does not plan to give up easily.

Lee and the rest of the crew plan to continue to put on a show inviting talented Bay Area artists into your home... and all you have to do is tune in.

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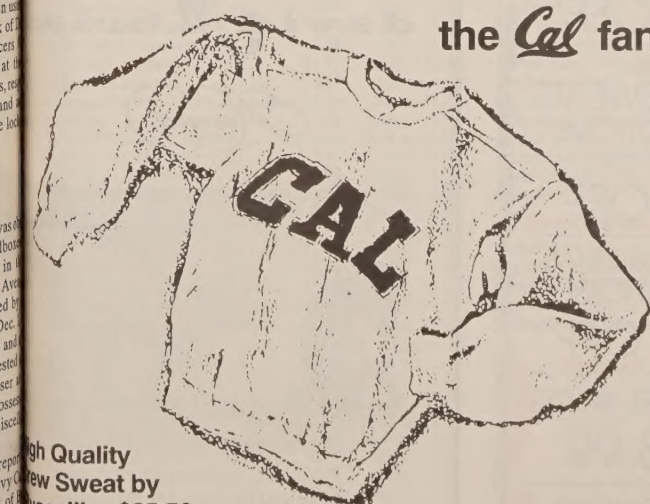
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Four seats available on commission

Applications are being accepted through Jan. 13 from Contra Costa County residents to fill two youth vacancies (14 to 21 years of age) and two adult vacancies on the County Juvenile Justice-Delinquency Prevention Commission.

This 15-member commission, which meets the third Monday of each month in the evening, serves in an advisory capacity to the Juvenile Court and County Probation Department.

It has responsibility for inspecting public and private placement facilities, programs and law enforcement agencies which house or confine juveniles, as well as coordinating delinquency prevention activities within Contra Costa County.

Members are appointed by the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court and the Juvenile Court Judge.

Persons interested in receiving an application or wishing further information are asked to call 313-4188.

Ho Ho Ho!

Film features facts, feelings on menopause



By Michelle Latimer

The social environment of the Bay Area leans toward openness — even celebration of natural physical processes — so much more than other parts of the country that it's hard to think of another place where 40 women would talk in front of a camera about the hot flashes, wild mood swings, facial hair and marathon bleeding that heralds their passage through middle age.

Once the women realized they were in menopause, Elizabeth Sher had no problem finding them for her documentary film "Approaching the 14th Moon," which will air Dec. 26 at 8 p.m. on KTEH-TV (San Jose).

"A lot of the women I had originally asked to interview for the film thought menopause meant you'd stopped having your (menstrual) period," the Berkeley-based writer and director told the Voice. "They said they couldn't talk about it because it hadn't happened to them yet."

A few years ago, shortly after Sher made those requests, Gail Sheehy's best-selling book *Passages* came out.

After reading it, many of the same women called Sher back, saying "I can talk about it...I'm going through it now."

And talk they did.

Those women who have not experienced what is in some parts of the country still referred to euphemistically as "the change" will be grateful for these brave survivors and experts in the field who share their experiences and knowledge freely and with wit, warmth and humor.

Those who have gone through it but never talked about it will feel relieved that they aren't the only ones who felt such-and-such a way.

Husbands, boyfriends, bachelors? They're not likely to feel too embarrassed or disinterested, and certainly not squeamish.

There are no charts, diagrams

or models of reproductive organs to be found in the 52-minute tape.

No technical jargon (or at least, not after you discover that HRT refers to Hormonal Replacement Therapy), no complicated psychoanalytic profiles or witch doctors.

Just a bunch of lively and articulate women who mostly seem to have taken the journey in stride, while some have come out of it feeling downright rejuvenated.

The film was a journey for Sher, too. Like many of her films, personal experience (in this case, Sher's own menopausal onset) was the creative impetus in "Approaching..."

Before this work, the tenured professor at California College of Arts and Crafts did a documentary on professional women juggling the demands of motherhood, career and homemaking — a supermom flick of sorts.

And since she qualifies here as she did then, she also appears on camera, making some of the more frank and funny remarks other sub-

'What this film is really about is choices, and about taking responsibility (for one's health)'

—ELIZABETH SHER

"Approaching the 14th Moon"
Monday, Dec. 26
at 8 p.m. KTEH-TV
(Channel 10 on
Bay Cablevision)

jects might not have.

But if you're just expecting a feel-good, comfy, soft-blankie Monday night, think again.

The personal experience segments are punctuated by solid, valuable information and advice from experts in the field.

They serve to equip all women with the tools they need to enter the transition gracefully as well as to exit the process with a lowered susceptibility to osteoporosis and heart disease — the two greatest health risks they face after menopause.

Although the treatments and therapies for menopause-associated symptoms change quite literally with each passing day, the tape manages to seem cutting-edge even though it was copyrighted last year. Sher said that's no coincidence.

"What this film is really about is choices, and about taking responsibility" for one's health, as opposed to promoting any specific regime, she said.

Dr. Sadja Greenwood, author of *Menopause Naturally*, says that it's key for all women to remember that the transition differs greatly from person to person and "there is no one right way" for women to deal with it, either medically or mentally.

Looking beyond how men are affected by menopausal women in their lives, Sher is now at work on a sequel that even probes the issue of whether men experience a physical menopause of their own.

Sher is currently looking for men and couples to interview for "Men on Menopause," and she asks anyone interested in contributing to call her office at 528-8004.

Tapes of "Approaching the 14th Moon" can also be obtained from Sher.

The last scene puts across quite poignantly a major theme of the film.

The camera pans a bathroom with the props of an apparently younger, more confined woman strewn about, including girdles and other body-cinching undergarments, pointy bras and an assortment of feminine hygiene accessories best kept in purses or drawers.

The viewfinder comes to rest on a trio of vibrant, middle-aged women looking in the mirror while trying their dead-level best to look 20 or 30 years their senior.

They smudge greasy rouge on their cheeks, don flowered hats and white gloves and affix fake varicose veins, and when friends come by for one woman's 50th birthday party, they help the rest all get gussied up in the same fashion before singing a purposely feeble-sounding birthday song.

It's uplifting and reassuring to see women clearly unfettered by thoughts of their childbearing years' sunset, clearly not wanting to be bored with talk about the significance of it all, clearly just approaching that 14th moon... and howling.

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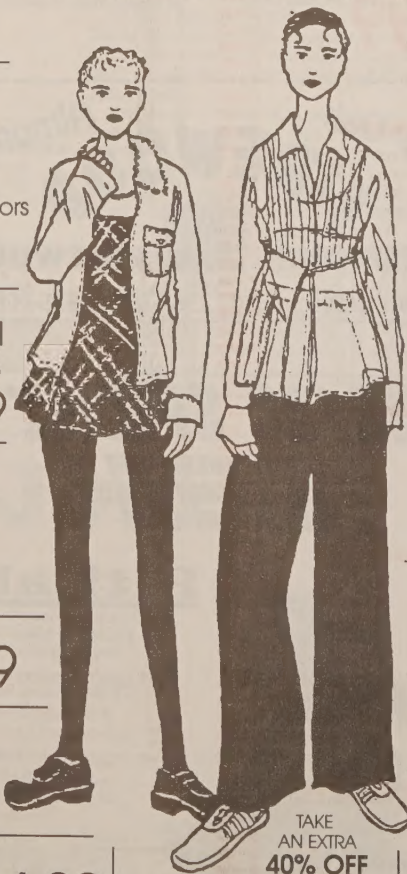
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El Cerrito Newsline

By Lori Teachout

City offering Christmas tree recycling

Each year 35 million American families celebrate the holidays with a real Christmas tree. Every one of those trees can and should be recycled. Recycling Christmas trees saves landfill space, and mulched and returned to the recycling Christmas trees completes the cycle of growth and renewal.

To facilitate this and to provide this much-needed community service, the El Cerrito Recycling Center will be chipping Christmas trees for mulch. Mulched Christmas trees will be available for use by the public, or by the city for its parks and along the BART path.

Take note of the requirements of this year's Christmas tree

program:

Trees may be brought to the end of Schmidt Lane, near the Drop-Off Site, only on the following days: Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, Dec. 30 and 31, and Jan. 1, 6, 7, and 8, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

We are requesting a \$2 donation per tree to help defray the

cost of hiring a work crew to chip the trees.

Trees will be collected at the end of Schmidt Lane and not at the Drop-Off Center parking lot.

Remember that tree chipping is a very labor-intensive process. Please use these guidelines for preparing your tree for recycling:

Trees for recycling must be free of tinsel, nails, and stands.

No flocked trees will be accepted.

No wreaths or trees other than Christmas trees will be accepted.

No prunings or other yard debris will be accepted.

Trees will not be accepted from nonprofit groups collecting trees or from commercial tree lots.

El Cerrito residents who cannot bring their trees to the Drop-Off Center can call East Bay Sanitary at 237-4321 to schedule an extra pick-up for a \$5 fee.

Kensington residents can dispose of their trees curbside Jan. 9 - 13, during their quarterly curbside collection.

Richmond Sanitary Service will be picking up trees for composting from its customers at no extra charge on their regular garbage day from Dec. 26 until Jan. 15.

The holiday season is the busiest time for the Drop-Off Center, and vehicle congestion at the site is a major problem. We

suggest that you recycle on weekdays and try to avoid recycling on weekends, when the center is particularly busy. We are also recommending that visitors who are browsing through the used books or in the magazine bin park outside our lot.

The Drop-Off Site at 7501 Schmidt Lane is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on weekends. We will be closed Sunday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day.

There is a Goodwill trailer for the collection of reusables on the Drop-Off

Center parking lot. Rather than throwing away usable goods, you can give items a second life and, as well, contribute to a worthwhile non-profit organization such as Goodwill Industries.

The hours of operation are 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. During the holiday season, until Jan. 1, Goodwill will also be collecting non-perishable food items.



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Kensington parcel tax question going to vote

By Dawn Frasier

KENSINGTON — Voters will decide on another parcel tax increase on the March ballot. The vote will actually be an advisory one, indicating to the Kensington Community Services District (KCS) whether residents wish to pay about an extra \$30 per year to acquire "Parcel B" of the surplus school property being sold by the West Contra Costa Unified School District.

The exact price won't be determined until the engineer's report is complete and all the final numbers from the bond issuance, based on interest rate, have been received.

The community has already committed to purchasing Parcel A of the surplus land. It includes land already leased by Kensington for park and recreational purposes and the old Jefferson School site. It is estimated that the parcel tax covering acquisition and initial development of Parcel A will total about \$80 per year, while a tax of about \$90 to \$95 annually will also cover site preparation. A \$153,000 grant, already

secured, will also assist in the land acquisition.

Earlier numbers submitted by the bonding company had indicated that about \$95 would be needed for the acquisition. That number did not take into account the grant monies or recent interest rate changes.

The company also estimated that about \$27 annually would be needed to cover operations and maintenance.

Decisions about operations and maintenance have not yet been made, however. "We're still discussing whether those expenses should come out of the general fund or whether a separate assessment should be made to cover them," said Lynn Wolter, KCS board member.

According to Wolter, the board decided that "the original board decision to allow for initial maintenance should be the way we proceed." That board's membership changed since the November election; both Wolter and David Fike are new members — two out of

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Local entrepreneur's valuable lessons

A burst of color greets you as you enter the room that Vergie Specks Renty keeps as her showroom. The color comes from a number of garments, of African apparel. All made of wonderful materials of brocade and African manufacture, the gowns and robes are intricate in design and wonderful in color.

Calling her business Uhuru Enterprises, Vergie Renty started by stocking and selling Greek paraphernalia to the mostly African American sororities and fraternities, including her own Zeta Phi Beta. There are four African American sororities, and four fraternities founded at Howard University, Vergie explains. Each sorority has a different thrust. Some host scholarships, some community service and finer womanhood. Each has a national project.

During our conversation I learned so much. Uhuru, for instance, is an African word meaning Freedom. And this is very important to her. We also discussed the materials from which her African garments are made. Some of them come from Kenya. Brocades come from Nigeria, Senegal and Zaire. And Ghana supplies Kente cloth and Mud Cloth, and Jorge, the top of the line, comes from Nigeria through London.

Mud cloth? Vergie supplied me with an article from the Smithsonian Institute explaining how Bamana women from the central region of Mali paint designs on cotton cloth with a mud solution. Fascinating.

But as fascinating and unusual as the products she sells, is the woman herself. Vergie Specks Renty is a tall, white haired woman of imposing presence. She recently retired after 40 years of teaching, the last 25 years of which were spent at Contra Costa College where she taught math.

Born and educated in Minden, Louisiana, she graduated from Webster High School where she was Valedictorian of her class. She received her B.S.

degree from Southern University, at Baton Rouge, where she majored in math and science.

While teaching high school, she spent summers studying, including a terrifying summer at Louisiana State University in 1955, the first summer that college was integrated.

Renty took a sabbatical leave to earn a Masters Degree in Science Education from Tuskegee University, and later received a scholarship to pursue post graduate study at Santa Clara University in California. And, of course, she stayed in this state.

While teaching in Vallejo and Oakland, Vergie continued her post graduate studies at UC Berkeley, College of Holy Names and Cloud State College in Minnesota.

Married to Charles Renty, who teaches at Lakeview Elementary School in Oakland, the couple lives in El Cerrito and are a vital part of that community.

As noted, she got into the retail world through her connection with Zeta Phi Beta. Taking part in their conventions, she noted that there was very little in the way of Greek paraphernalia available. Everyone agreed that somebody should go into the business of selling such paraphernalia. With the surge of African Identity and the popularity of identifying ones roots, the Greek organizations have been growing in number and importance. So Vergie became the one. And since this had so much to do with the identity and roots, it was a natural progression to add African dress to her line.

Vergie went through the garments, showing me the extraordinary mixture of colors, wonderful, bright and imaginative; the shaping and draping, especially in the sleeves; the hats that accompany each garment. She took me downstairs to show me the Greek fleece wear, the Kente scarves in special colors and combinations, each having meaning.

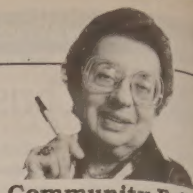
She also sells jewelry and cards. Most of the jewelry has to do, again, with the sororities and fraternities. The greeting cards include many celebrating Kwanzaa. And she explained more to me about this fairly new, African American holiday which is about unity and strength and peace.

Getting practical, Vergie said she is greatly overstocked. She keeps her business in her home, not wanting it to become a store front effort. She travels extensively, to conventions and

meetings, selling her wares. Now her accountant has told her she is carrying far too much inventory. So, she says, she is having her first ever sale. She is selling her stock on hand at a 25 percent discount during all of January and February.

Vergie gave me one of the Kente scarves, and I adore the feel of it and the bright, meaningful colors. She says when she wears a scarf or other item while shopping or walking, people often stop her to comment on it, even to offer to buy it on the spot. I can see why.

How much I didn't know about this culture. How much I have learned, and how much I



Community Folk

By Clara-Rae Genser

have yet to learn. And I think I am not alone.

Thank you, Dorothy Johnson, for calling me about Vergie Renty. Vergie Renty has taught me about an important Ameri-

can life. And I invite all of you to share your ideas: interesting people, organizations. Please write to St. #443, Albany, call 525-4585.

Letters

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Again, money does not look like the determining factor. I think Bill Cain lost because he was too nasty too often when running public meetings, and Albany voters really don't want nastiness when they face the City Council.

This myth of the impact of money is very important, because it allows the No on F leaders to believe they lost because they were outspent. They tie this in to the next myth, discussed below, that they were the only grass-roots movement.

In my opinion, money did not change the outcome on F. I believe that money is significant if only one side gets its message out, and the other side can not. But in Albany it is not hard to reach everyone, particularly when you have many volunteers, and the No forces certainly got their message out, not only door-to-door but also with glossy literature and multiple mailings.

By the end we were inundated by both sides. The majority of voters struggled with the issue and in the end voted Yes.

b) There is an assertion being made that there wasn't a grass-roots campaign for Yes on F. Not so; more mythology.

During the campaign I worked with a group supporting both Measures A and F, and pointing out the relationship

between the two. We never did a mailing; we only walked from door to door. We never printed any glossy leaflets and we didn't reprint any photographs.

We simply put out a statement of what we believed and why, along with copies of letters, graphs and maps. Don't dismiss us — we were part of the election process.

Incidentally, here's another example of the nature of small-town politics. In 1990 Bob Arnold and Thelma Rubin fiercely disagreed on Measure C, yet in 1994 they spent many hours working on the same cause — passing out leaflets for Measures A and F.

2) Nastiness

In the recent past both Mike Brodsky and Bruce Mast have been subjected to intensely nasty personal abuse in letters to The Journal. Although both Mike and Bruce are actually well-respected by many of us, one or the other has often been the target of a letter. Nancy Nelson managed to go after both of them on Oct. 27 and called them "wolves in sheep's clothing."

Gosh. Individually, all of the folks are nice people. Why do we need to demonize our opponents?

Now the new target seems to be Michael Feiner.

On Dec. 1 Peggy Thow writes that Michael Feiner, when speaking to the City Council,

was "sniveling in public." She further describes his speech as "bleating."

On the same day, Suzanne Murphy wrote, "What universe do you live in, Mr. Feiner?" For good measure, she later adds, "Apparently, Mr. Feiner and Mr. Brodsky (here we go again!) live in the universe, one located on the other side of the Looking Glass."

Actually, we all live in Albany, and we are all neighbors.

Yet even Bob Outis feels compelled to write on Dec. 15:

"I know Peggy Thow and Suzanne Murphy. They are friends of mine. I can tell you that neither is a Michael Feiner nor a Spiro Agnew."

I assume comparing Michael Feiner to Spiro Agnew is not meant as a compliment.

How can this nastiness be justified?

It can not.

Mr. Outis also writes: "Frankly, I think we always hoped that Albany would be something that we thought we had hoped was a truly unique ethic in this town."

There is a truly unique wonderful sense of community in this town, and the

Ironically, the more described above is away at this community and at the mutual need so importantly political life. If we are other and about each other, we will disagree, we will preserve our community.

Politics in Albany adults. We should use example for the community and speak other as we would children to speak to

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El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

By Sewall Glinertnick

Election results announced at annual Christmas buffet

The annual Christmas buffet luncheon for the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce was held at the Cerrito City Club Friday, Dec. 16. The board of directors election results were announced. Nominating committee chair Michael Klingner, and the election of the executive board was held. Along with 40 members and guests was Jim Randall, Assistant Manager, and City Councilmember Norma Jellison. A delicious buffet luncheon was enjoyed, along with piano playing by Marcus Klingner for holiday pleasure. Gifts for the winners were donated by Emporium, Safeway #751; Lucky Store, Golden Dynasty; Seidell & Son; Quorum; Smart & West and Alan Caruso. Freeway Motel; The Mechanics Bank; and the chamber with favors for each. Much appreciation to all of those who attended.

The chamber has elected Vera Boyovich, California Federal Bank, president, the fourth year. Vera served as first vice-president this past year and has been on the board for many years actively. Serving with Vera in the 1995 term will be Patricia Malaiua, The Mechanics Bank,

first vice-president; Larry Sanchez, Marvin Collins Construction, second vice-president; June Bobliitt, Full Circle Travel, third vice-president; Blair Burton, attorney, retired, secretary; Charlie Weaver, CPA, treasurer; and Rena Bruton, past president.

Re-elected to the board of directors were June Bobliitt; Vera Boyovich; U.S. Barbachano, architect, retired; Rich Weyeneth, More Car Co.; Pat Malaiua; Larry Sanchez; Marvin Collins, Collins Apartment Management; Bill Kerber; Harry Kiefer, Kiefer Furniture. New to the board are John Connors, Connors Overhead Door Co.; Marcia Schwartz, Mason-McDuffie; and Douglas DeSalvo, D.C., DeSalvo Chiropractic.

Officers will assume their duties at the January installation dinner, date to be announced.

The chamber staff wishes all members and members of the community a happy holiday season.

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The only way you can offer men's quality clothing at the lowest prices is to control overhead costs.

That's the business theory behind one of the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce's newest members, The Clothing Broker, at



Tony Good, left, and John Krogh with then Mayor Jane Bartke and chamber vice president Vera Boyovich.

5327 Jacuzzi St. in the Central Avenue Center.

Putting this theory into practice locally are store manager John Krogh and floor manager Tony Good. Assisting them is Bill Caylor, who is in charge of shipping and receiving.

Krogh and Good claim they can offer their customers men's clothing at "less than half the price of a normal store" because of The Clothing Broker's low-overhead location and its three-days-a-week operation schedule.

"We pass all the savings on to our customers in the form of lower prices," the pair explain.

The 14,500-square-foot warehouse occupied by The Clothing Broker is stocked with well over 5,000 men's suits and sport coats. Adding to the clothing assortment is men's formal wear and a large selection of sportswear — including shirts, sweaters and casual slacks.

The Clothing Broker also features a wide assortment of men's furnishings such as dress

shirts, neckwear, hosiery, belts, and outerwear.

Adding to the selection offered at the local store is a "Big and Tall Department" with a full range of wearing apparel and a shoe department with a fine array of merchandise.

"Because we know most of the leading manufacturers," Krogh and Good explain, "we can get the latest style quality merchandise at the best prices. Thus, we are able to cover the clothing needs of our customers on either business, dress or casual occasions."

Professionalism at Clothing Broker starts right at the top and runs through the store's entire staff. Krogh and Good bring a great deal of retail experience in the clothing business to the local operation.

Krogh has been in the business since 1989, when his brother, Chuck, opened the first Clothing Broker in Santa Clara.

Good started working in his

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Safety tips to avoid holiday crime scams

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — Detective Michael Spearman has some good advice for anyone out shopping during the holiday season. Unfortunately, it's the time of year when certain types of crime increase.

For one thing, said Spearman, the pickpockets are out in full force.

There are certain specific steps you can take to prevent having your wallet slipped out of a purse or a pocket: keep the purse closed, don't leave anything sitting in a shopping cart, don't get so engrossed in what you're doing that you forget basic safety precautions.

The most basic precaution, said Spearman, is to be aware of your surroundings: people dropping change in front of you, bumping into you, crowding between your basket and the shelf, one distracting you, the other with a trenchcoat over an arm — a perfect place to hide your property.

What you take with you to a store or shopping center is also worth thinking about.

"I see people now shopping with travellers' checks," said Spearman. "It's an interesting idea. Stores will accept them, and it's a lot safer."

It's also wise to "take just what you need" on any shopping trip, Spearman went on to say. Just a

driver's license and the card or cards you need for the specific stores you'll be visiting. You won't lose everything, and it saves a lot of time if you have to call your card companies to report them stolen. (And always keep a list of card numbers for police and credit company reporting.)

If you do have something stolen, call as soon as you've reported it to the police.

"Don't wait a couple of days to report a cellular phone as stolen," said Spearman. "People do that, and they're stuck with huge phone bills — even for international calls."

The bottom line for Spearman is the same in most potential crime situations: be aware of your surroundings. Particularly in the holidays, walking to your car after shopping, for example, take appropriate measures whenever you feel uncomfortable: return to a lighted, public area, ask a security guard to accompany you — and to stay while you pack your trunk.

Mail continues to be stolen from boxes, particularly outgoing bills. A new laser technology allows thieves to erase the name of the phone company, the utility or store listed for payment. Another name is inserted — your legitimate signature intact — and payment made.

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Media Notes

■ BILL MANN

Pentium chip shots

The Wall Street Journal recently ran a list of the most commonly asked questions about the Pentium chip. "Should I still buy a Pentium PC for Christmas?" was one. "Probably" was the Journal's response. Not exactly a ringing endorsement.

All this couldn't have come at a worse time for Intel, of course. This Christmas shopping season, computers are especially hot. Still, it's hard to feel sorry for the Silicon Valley giant when it kept mum about the flaw for months.

The Intel/Pentium jokes are ubiquitous. I can't recall jokes about a computer ever getting this much exposure. One major source of Pentium gags, as you might have guessed, is the Internet. Reader Derick Sturke passes along these:

Q. What's another name for the "Intel Inside" sticker they put on Pentiums?

A. The warning label.

Q. How many Pentium designers does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A. 1.999904247017 — but that's close enough for non-technical people.

And these, from the "Top 10 List of Slogans For The Pentium" (Internet newsgroups are lousy with Top 10 lists):

"Redefining the PC — And Mathematics As Well!"

"We're Looking For a Few Good Flaws."

But perhaps the funniest Internet posting on the subject was a bogus (if authentic-looking) corporate "press release" from Intel. It starts off:

"Intel (NASDAQ:INTC) today announced a 3 FOR 1.9999945524216 stock split effective Jan. 5, 1995, for stockholders of record as of Dec. 9, 1994.

"Although analysts were

surprised about the strange ratio in the stock split," the press-release parody continued, "an Intel spokesman stated that: 'That's just the way the math worked out!'"

More Computer Stuff:

KTVU's computer guru, Alameda's Bob Hirschfeld (he's Channel 2's director of administration), was grinning like a kid on Christmas morning the other day. And why not? Hirschfeld's new PC had just arrived at the station. (I didn't have the heart to ask the genial Hirschfeld if it had a Pentium chip).

Hirschfeld says that KTVU's been contemplating establishing a presence on the fast-growing Internet as many companies have, including a few newspapers and some TV stations. "But we're not sure what the applications might be," he explained. "Here, let me show you something." Hirschfeld dialed up L.A.'s KCAL-TV's "Front Page" on the Internet. "They're owned by Disney, so they're into everything," chuckled Hirschfeld. Finally, the Net connection was made, and up popped a photo (poor quality, at that) of KCAL anchor Jerry Dunphy — the guy with the hair of indeterminate age that the Ted Baxter character was supposedly based upon. Argh.

Also on KCAL's Internet magazine was a list of that station's reporters, their beats, and not much else. KCAL, like most other businesses, wants a presence on the Net — they're just not sure what to do with it yet.

On the other hand, maybe KPIX will set up shop on the Internet. And then, not only will people have questions, the Net's interactivity will make them expect real answers — not just meaningless marketing slogans.

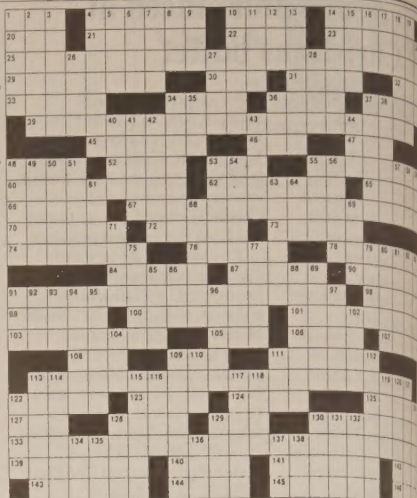
MEDIA NOTES: "Why doesn't KPIX just give up on early prime?" is something I'm hearing often at the Oakland station's newsroom these days. Not only did Channel 2's classy 10 p.m. newscast beat KPIX during the November sweeps when it had CBS programming like "Scarlett" as a powerful lead-in. But now, some nights, KPIX is

■ New York Times Magazine Puzzle

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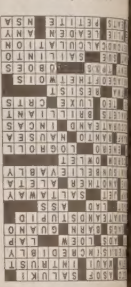
losing half its lead-in audience when its news begins, and KTVU's news audience jumps considerably from Fox's often-lousy ratings. But one suspects intransigent KPIX boss Harry Fuller will never admit this personal defeat and dump early prime, which isn't working ... More computer stuff: KNBR computer-show host Leo Laporte, a guest on Tom Leykis' nationally syndicated show one day last week (carried on rival station KSFO), warned Christmas shoppers about blindly buying CD-Roms for gifts just because of flashy packaging. "90 percent of the CD-Roms on the market are inferior stuff," advised Laporte, adding that there's a term for all this garbage in the industry —

"shovelware." ... Possibly the worst pun of the month came out of a press conference the other day in Rohnert Park. The new minor-league baseball team due to start up next spring — it may be about the only pro ball in these parts next year — is called the North Bay Crushers. The mascot is called ... the Abominable Sonoman...

Ronn's obnoxious nighttime colleague, Bernie Ward, meanwhile, has taken to archly calling himself "The Lion of the Left." This probably causes more than a few liberals to cringe. Does that make KGO's Michael Savage, then, "The Rottweiler of The Right"? ... It was expected, but I'm still saddened to see ABC's wonderful but low-rated

"My So-Called Life" pulled off the air. It may return next year; I hope so. One recent episode in which Angela (Clare Danes) was pressured to have sex with her boyfriend, Jordan Catalano, at a teen party in an abandoned house was as well-written a script on this sensitive subject I've ever seen. Definitely Emmy-caliber stuff. Many teens are estranged emotionally (and physically) from their parents, and this is one show that had the courage and integrity to show this. The show deserved a better time spot — and a better fate. Its Christmas show airs tonight at 8 on Channel 7, with the last new episode slated to air Jan. 26. Add this to the dismaying fact that NBC is bringing "The Mommies" back next month.

(Why? Why?) Does it make any sense? The annual media Christmas which will make sense. Questions or Comments? Write Bill Mann at Hills Publications, 5700 Oakland, 94619.



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Tear gas users ready for attack

By Aspasia Papavassilou

Music from Jaws resonates in the background. It's daylight. A woman walks on a suburban street. Suddenly a man appears in front of her. He attacks her. She sprays him with Mace. He clutches his face, falls to the ground and groans. The audience of 20 laughs.

The predominantly female, college-age audience is at a class by the Tear Gas Training Group taught monthly at the Berkeley Y.W.C.A. The class is watching a videotape produced by the California Department of Justice to fulfill one of the requirements for carrying Mace.

A California resident can carry a self-defense spray only if they watch the 30-minute videotape, take a 2-hour class, or take a written test. In addition, the Mace holder must be over 16 and without a criminal record.

Maria Verdin, 19, a UC-Berkeley sophomore, came to the class after she was robbed in front of her home in Richmond the previous week. "If I had Mace, I could have used it," Verdin said.

More than 5 percent of adults were victims of violent crime in 1993, according to a United States Justice Department report. The report said violent crimes increased more than three times faster than crime overall. "It has to happen to somebody, so you have to be careful," said Sara Olson, 23, an Oakland medical assistant who came to buy pepper spray. "I'll feel safer with this, especially now that it's getting dark earlier."

More than 650,000 licenses have been issued since 1979, when tear gas, often called Mace, became legal for civilian use. In March, Attorney General Dan Lungren also legalized pepper spray, a non-chemical and in some ways more potent self-defense spray.

In the first six months after pepper spray became legal, the California Justice Department licensed nearly 77,000 people to carry it — quadruple the amount of a normal six-month period, according to Veronica Shaneen, Justice Department assistant. Shaneen estimated that 25 percent of the people issued a license since March already had authorization to carry Mace and wanted a license to carry pepper spray. Those getting a license will automatically be authorized to carry both self-defense sprays.

Shaneen said that to keep up with the increasing demand for Mace and pepper spray, the number of schools authorized to offer licenses jumped to more than 300, compared to less than 200 before March.

"There was also a lot of political pushing (to make self-defense sprays more accessible)," said Shaneen. The feeling is it's better for people to carry the spray than guns.

Mace and pepper spray are not lethal and have no permanent side-effects. It's a felony to use either spray without a license, or for any purpose other than self-defense.

Bill Watson, 35, has carried Mace for three years. He came to the class to get the sticker that would allow him to carry pepper spray. "I feel naked without it," Watson said. "I've never had to use it, but I have shown it to three people who were harassing me in the Castro, and they backed off. I felt like I was in control, like I had

Cat's meow



EL CERRITO — Cat lovers had their favorite feline's picture taken with Santa Claus last Saturday, and it was for a good cause at The Feline Bed and Breakfast, 11074 San Pablo Ave.

power."

Watson said he was prompted to get Mace after he was gay-bashed and mugged.

Pepper spray, or "oc" spray (oleoresin capiscum), a chile pepper extract, must be sprayed into the eyes and face. It causes involuntary closing of the eyes, an intense burning sensation, coughing, and swelling of the mucous membranes. Breathing becomes difficult. The effects last for more than half an hour.

Mace, the trademark name of "cn" spray (chloracetophenone), causes similar symptoms. But unlike pepper spray, Mace does not cause involuntary closing of the eyes and mucous membranes. It might not work on someone who is extremely intoxicated or otherwise immune to pain.

Both Mace and pepper spray can be less effective if they are used in the wind or rain.

...and if the user has allowed the nozzle to become clogged or the canister to leak.

Elliot Zaret, 25, a UC-Berkeley journalism student, said he will never use Mace again after it failed to foil an attacker. "It did nothing but get him really pissed," said Zaret, who is a former chapter leader of the New Haven Guardian Angels, a crime-fighting group. Zaret was able to use other self-defense techniques to throw his attacker to the ground.

"Mace could give you a feeling of security which could be damaging," said Zaret, who attributed his Mace failure to a clogged nozzle and heavy wind.

Charles Leduff, 28, a UC-Berkeley journalism student, agreed that it was a mistake to depend entirely on Mace.

■ Quake Corner

El Cerrito gears up for safety training program

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — There will be plenty of opportunities next year to learn how to prepare for emergencies and how to help your neighbors do the same. The El Cerrito Fire Department has released its 1995 training scheduled for the city's Neighborhood Emergency Assistance Teams (NEAT). Classes are open to any members of the public, however, and are offered free of charge.

Classes are offered twice during the year, with a break for summer. "How to Organize Neighborhoods" is the first in each session; it's offered during the evenings of Jan. 12 and Sept. 12.

C.P.R. training classes are offered on six Saturdays; each class starts at 9 a.m. but lasts from three to six hours according to the level of training. "A" level offers instruction in administering C.P.R. to adults only. Those interested in preparing to give C.P.R. to both children and adults should sign up for the "B" level; the longest "C" level course teaches C.P.R. for adults, children and infants.

Classes are scheduled for Jan. 14, Sept. 16 ("A"), March 11, Oct. 7 ("B"), May 13 and Nov. 18 ("C").

C.P.R. classes, unlike most of the course offerings, require advanced reservations. (Call 215-4450.) Other classes requiring advanced registration are First Aid Saturday, an all-day course offered April 1 and Nov. 4 and Advanced Search and Rescue, offered Saturday, Dec. 2. The latter course, said Captain Dave Gibson, covers specific rescue techniques, including use of crowbars and procedures for carrying victims.

"Search and Rescue" is one of six NEAT team designations. The organization of neighborhoods under the NEAT system calls for such teams to take on specific responsibilities in the event of an emergency. The fire department now offers training twice a year to each. Individuals can learn many important techniques also, said Gibson. Courses which do not require any reservations include: Home Preparedness (Jan. 19 and Dec. 13), Search and Rescue — Introduction (Feb. 15 and Sept. 28), Damage Assessment (Feb. 28 and Oct. 11), Communications (March 14 and Oct. 25), Sheltering (March 23 and Nov. 14), Strengthening Homes (April 12 and Nov. 30).

All are offered in the evening,

from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Drop-ins may also attend Safety and Security, meeting from 10 a.m. to 12 noon May 20 and Sept. 23. Those on NEAT Safety and Security teams have taken responsibility for turning off gas mains, confining pets, removing debris from the disaster area, roping off hazard areas and extinguishing small fires, among other duties for which they'll receive training.

Neighborhood captains will meet Saturday, April 22. A course in Wildfire Preparedness will meet just once next year, on Thursday, May 25, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

A new class, Preparedness for Pets, will be offered from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. April 20 and Oct. 21. A neighborhood volunteer will teach the course and will also make a presentation during the Safety and Security instruction.

Pets need protection following an emergency, too, said Gibson, noting that they are not allowed in emergency shelters. The course will cover all the basics, from proper identification to storage of adequate food and supplies.

A number of El Cerrito neighborhoods are participating in the NEAT program.

■ Church notes

Local churches host holiday services

By Dawn Frasier

Familiar Christmas hymns will be part of a special Christmas Eve Candlelight Service scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at El Cerrito's Grace Lutheran Church, 15 Santa Fe Ave. The congregation invites everyone to attend. Pastor Vern Olson will speak on "Pondering the Treasure of Christ."

The public is also invited to join in worship on Christmas Day at 9:30 a.m. The Eucharist will be celebrated; "Burst into Christmas Song!" is the message of the morning.

The Rev. Carol Wickersham will speak on "Something to Sink our Teeth Into" at the Christmas Day worship service this Sunday at Northminster Presbyterian Church. The service begins at 11 a.m., Christian education for children and adults at 10 a.m. Worship will be followed by a Christmas potluck breakfast.

Communion will be celebrated at the Christmas Day worship service at the Evangelical Free Church, 7200 Schmidt Lane, El

Cerrito. The service begins at 9:30 a.m.

A Family Christmas Eve service begins at 5 p.m. at the Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington.

The mood will be a festive one, with Christmas prayers, the singing of carols, lighting of the Advent candles and retelling of the first Christmas through story, song and scenes.

It promises to be a joyous Christmas celebration for all ages. Please bring offerings of wrapped, non-perishable food or money gifts for the hungry.

A Christmas Eve candlelight and communion service will begin at 11 p.m. The service of carols and candlelight tells the Christmas story in Scriptures, song and dance. A ringing of the chimes concludes the service at midnight.

"Recognizing a Miracle" is the Rev. Ken Barnes' sermon topic at the 10 a.m. worship service Christmas Sunday.

Candlelight worship services are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. and 11

p.m. Saturday, Christmas Eve, at Christ Lutheran Church, 780 Ashbury Ave., El Cerrito. A Festival Christmas Worship service begins at 11 a.m. Christmas morning.

Two services are planned to celebrate Christmas Eve with candles and carols at First Unitarian Church of Berkeley.

One Lawson Road, Kensington. For both the 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. services, Dr. Richard Boeke will give a Christmas sermon, and Eric Howe will conduct the chancel choir. The brass choir will be featured at the 10 p.m. service.

Boeke and worship associate Mac Lingo will lead "Three Stories of Christmas" at 10:45 a.m. Christmas Day.

The Shepherds and the Wise Men, the Little Drummer Boy, and the Littlest Angel are the focus of the morning. Refreshments and fellowship follow the service.

A Christmas Eve worship service is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Albany United Methodist Church, 980 Stannard Ave. Christmas Day worship begins at 10 a.m.

Research expeditions featured at UC Berkeley

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p.m., Jean Colvin, Director of the University Research Expeditions Program (UREP), will highlight the program over the last decade and introduce

this year's exciting new projects, including her own work in Ecuador. Members of the audience will learn how they can be part of a UREP expedition this year.

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Youth orchestra starts young musicians on their way

The Berkeley Youth Orchestra is celebrating its 25th season



Ann Krinitsky conducts both the Berkeley Youth Orchestra and the Community Women's Orchestra.

By Rocky Leplin

It never fails. The more you poke around the East Bay music scene, the more performing groups you find whose existence has either been a secret to everyone, or to everyone but you. Not counting children's choirs or university ensembles, I thought there were only 20 large groups with regular musical seasons in the mid-East Bay. It turns out there are 23, plus all the others that are still in hiding.

In 1969, the younger siblings of student musicians in East Bay high schools got bit by the beat bug. Not the back-beat, but the beat of a conductor's baton. If the East Bay hosts a legion of excellent musicians, and we know it does, some of them got their start in what began in 1969 as the Berkeley Junior Symphony, and continued as the Berkeley Youth

Orchestra. This year it celebrates its 25th anniversary.

Five conductors led the orchestra through its first 20 years. Its current musical director, Ann Krinitsky, and its woodwind and brass coach, Peter Josheff, are in their sixth seasons at the helm.

Krinitsky, a UC music grad, studied conducting with Michael Senturia. She continued with Harold Farberman at the Conductors' Institute and participated in the American Composer-Conductor Program, both in Hartford, Conn.

In addition to leading BYO, she is in her fifth season conducting the Community Women's Orchestra, now celebrating its 10th season. CWO was a project of the Women's Philharmonic, in order to create an amateur women's ensemble. CWO per-

forms three concerts a year. Next May, it will premiere a commissioned work, by local composer and violist Katrina Wrede.

Krinitsky is also a violinist, playing with the Napa Valley Symphony, the Women's Philharmonic, the Hillmont String Quartet, and some of the myriad groups that team up for a particular gig, never to be heard of again.

Peter Josheff (pronounced "Yo-sheff") is a co-founder of Earplay, which is now in its 10th season. Earplay, based in San Francisco, is generally acknowledged as the best Bay Area chamber orchestra specializing in modern music.

Josheff, a McDowell Colony Fellow, concertizes widely, and well enough to have had works written for him by Wayne Peterson, the 1992 Pulitzer Prize winner in music composition. (Peterson's *The Widening Gyre* was performed Nov. 30 by the Berkeley Symphony.) Josheff teaches privately and has conducted graduate master classes in contemporary performance at Stanford.

He is also a composer whose works for orchestra and chamber groups are published by Fallen Leaf Press.

In addition to their concerts, BYO's students are members of the Oakland Symphony in its Side Concerts. They've also

'I don't look at it as work. I look at it as fun to hear how everyone else plays—and fun to play with other people'

—RAFAEL GOLA

with the Women's Philharmonic and the Young People's Orchestra.

Repertoire runs the gamut in terms of musical period, style, and categories of composition. Theory and education, and a passion for the lives of composers whose pieces are being performed, are integral to the program.

The involvement of young musicians is strongly recommended in some areas. See BYO on page 11.



Left: Roger Lu of Oakland plays timpani. Right: Brian Christian of Oakland (left), bassoon; Akpanabio Lumukanda of Oakland, trumpet; Ben Mendler of Albany and Justin Monnier of Oakland, French horns.

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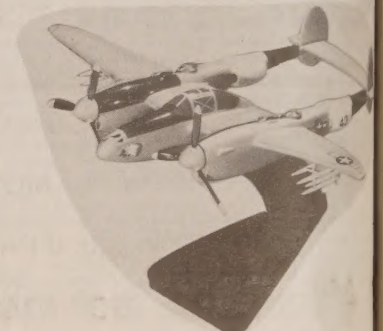
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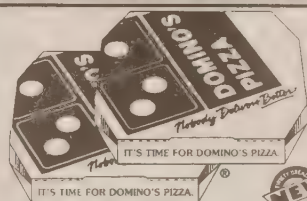
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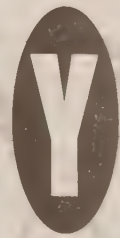
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Bay Area Puppet Playhouse: Dec. 23, 1 p.m. & 6 p.m.: Grand opening performance of "Babar and Father Christmas." 2353c San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. Call 644-0715.

Ashkenaz: Dec. 22: Ojada; Dec. 23: Spirit of Pan; Dec. 24: Sister live; Dec. 27: Danny Pollard; Dec. 28: Billy Dunn; Dec. 29: Fifteen. 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley. 525-5054.

Freight & Salvage: Dec. 22: Holiday Celebration; Dec. 23: Modern Mandolin Quartet Holiday Show; Dec. 29: Gerry Tenney & The Lost Tribe. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. Call 548-1761.

Kimball's East: Through Dec. 24: Charles Brown; Dec. 28 - Jan. 1: Alex Bugnon & Special EFX. All shows 8 and 10 p.m. unless otherwise noted. \$18-\$24. 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville. Call 658-2555.

La Peña: Dec. 23, 8 p.m.: Conjunto Social y Folclórico. 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 849-2568.

Starry Plough: Dec. 22: Jambay; Dec. 23: Red Meat, Nearly Beloved; Dec. 28: Her Majesty The Baby; Dec. 29: The Sweet & Low Orchestra, The Bellows. Music starts Thursday through Saturday, 9:30 p.m.; Sunday, 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 841-2082.

Meetings, Classes, Lectures and other events

East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse: Dec. 23 and 24, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Gift wrapping with recycled

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Telegraph Avenue Holiday Street Fair: Through Dec. 24: Features over 200 of Northern California's best craft artists. Call 287-9377.

Berkeley/Albany Midweek Ski Club: Midweek skiers' social club meets first and third Tuesdays. Sharing cuts the cost of club owned Tahoe City ski lodge. Must be over 21. Call 451-1044.

REI: Offers several Learn-to-Ski weekends this winter. Jan. 7: Royal Gorge. 527-4140.

Congregation Beth Israel: Dec. 25, 9 a.m.: "Jewish Warmth on a Cold December Day: Being Jewish in a Christian Land," a day of learning and discussion with Prof. Daniel Boyarin, Sheila Jelen and Rabbi Finkelman. 1630 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Call 559-9017.

Grace Institute for Religious Learning: Dec. 24: Carols begin at 10:30 p.m.; Midnight mass begins at 11 p.m. Dec. 25, 10 a.m.: communion. 60 Avis Road, Berkeley. Call 524-7816.

Berkeley Folk Dancers: International folk dance lessons. Beginners class: Tuesdays, 7:45-9:45 p.m. Classes for other levels available. 1301 Shattuck at Berryman, Berkeley. Call 527-2491.

Berkeley Public Library: Dec. 27, 7 p.m.: Kwanzaa celebration with Awele Makeba. Central Children's Room, 2090 Kittredge. Call 649-3943.

Contract Bridge: Berkeley-El Cerrito-Richmond League unit has duplicate bridge games at several times and places. Call 232-6689 or 526-1767.

Kensington Senior Activity Center: Dec. 29, 11 a.m.: Eleanor Wharton discusses *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner* as her review of Great Books series continues. Arlington Community Church, 52 Ar-

lington, Kensington. Call 526-9146.

Lawrence Hall of Science: Dec. 26: Magic Mike; Dec. 27: E.W. Wainwright & Phavia Kujichagula: The African roots of Jazz; Dec. 28: Children's Concert with Gary Lupow; Dec. 29: Johnny Moses -- Native American Stories. All events take place at noon and at 1:30 p.m. Centennial Drive, U.C. Berkeley. Call 642-5132.

North Berkeley Senior Center: Dec. 23, noon: Holiday dinner and party. All events at 1:15 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 1901 Hearst St., At MLK, Jr. Way. Call 644-6107. Exhibits

ACCI: "Joie de Vivre" ACCI's first holiday gift show closes Dec. 30. 1652 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 843-2527.

Albany Library: "Wood is Wonderful," an exhibit featuring Holgate toys from yesterday and today closes Dec. 31. 1247 Marin Ave., Albany. Call 526-3720.

Bakery Cafe: "New Paintings by Jennifer Pearson" runs Dec. 27 through Feb. 7. The Bakery Cafe at the Berkeley Bowl, 2777 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 527-4912.

Berkeley Art Center: "Songs of Innocence/songs of Experience," an exhibition of mixed media work by local artists Edythe Boone, Kaleo Ching and Nancy Mizuno Elliot runs through Jan. 21.

Berkeley Artisans: Through Dec. 18: Holiday open studios featuring over 100 artisans. Free maps available for pickup at 1250 Addison St., #214 or call 845-2612.

Berkeley Artist: Leon Saperstein - photographs, closes Dec. 31. Cafe Kati, 1963 Sutter St., San Francisco. Call (415) 775-7313.

Berkeley Historical Society Museum: "Drop Me A Line: A Postcard Review," runs through April 1. 1931 Center St., Berkeley. Call 848-0181.

Berkeley Store Gallery: "Recent Paintings and Drawings by Amy Kaufman" through Jan. 14. 2230 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 649-0272.

East Bay Heritage Quilters: Quilt Show through Jan. 9 at 300 Lakeside Drive, Mezzanine Art Gallery, Oakland.

Gallery of the Center for Psychological Studies: "Crosstalk" painted conversations between females by Benny Alba runs through Jan. 3. 1398 Solano Ave., Albany. Call 524-0291.

Hearst Museum of Anthropology: "Iranians in Los Angeles," a photography exhibition, runs through Jan. 2. 103 Kroeber Hall, College Avenue and Bancroft. Call 642-3681.

Nature Company: "Minerals of the World," a special exhibit and sale runs through Jan. 2 at 740 Hearst Ave., Berkeley. Call 649-5388.

New Pieces: "Shades of Difference," an exhibit of quilts by Suzan Friedland and Rebecca Rohrkaste runs through Jan. 4. 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. 527-6779.

Nexus Gallery: Oakland glass artists on exhibit through Dec. 24. 2701 8th St., Berkeley. Call 832-8380.

NIAD: "Floor Cloths and More" closes Dec. 31 at Creative Spirit Gallery in Ghirardelli Square, 900 North Point St., San Francisco. Call (415) 441-1537. "Art From The Heart" Holiday Fair and exhibit closes Dec. 30 at 551-23rd St., Richmond. Call 620-0290.

Refractions: "Impressions of Santa Fe," an exhibit of photographs by Susan Bettelheim through Jan. 7 at 600 San Pablo Ave., #105, Albany. Call 527-8664.

Sticks: "Watercolor and Color Etchings by Elizabeth Kavalier" runs through Jan. 7 at 1579B Solano Ave., Berkeley. Call 526-6603.

Tattoo Archive: Through Jan. 1995: "Sailor Tattooing," an exhibit that celebrates one of the greatest traditions in the art of tattooing, military designs, especially navy, will be on view through Jan. 1995. The exhibition will show sailor tattooing from around the world. 2804 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 548-5895.

University Art Museum: "Face of the Gods: Art and Altars of Africa and the African Americas" runs through Feb. 19; "A Moveable Feast: Chinese Ceramics and Bronzes from the Warren King collection" through Fall 1995; "Images and Ideas: The Collection of Focus" ongoing. 2625 Durant Ave., Berkeley.

University Lutheran Chapel: "Ad Gloriam Dei" will be on view through Jan. 22. 2425 College Ave., Berkeley. Call 843-6230.

World Institute on Disability: Exhibit of artwork by Steve Potter runs through Feb. 23. 510 16th St., suite 100, between Telegraph and San Pablo.

Support Groups and Self-Help

Albany Home Schooling Support Group is forming. Call Dick and Pattee Otterstad at 524-4063.

Albany Special Education Parent Support Group monthly meetings. 524-9753 or 525-8135 for information.

Alzheimer's Association offers support groups throughout the Bay Area. For information, call 800-942-1333.

Alzheimer's Support Group meets at Doctor's Hospital the second Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. 2151 Appian Way, Pinole. 724-5040. Asthma Support Group meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. 741-2442.

Anxiety and Phobic support group: meets every Saturday at 10 a.m.: St. James Lutheran Church, 1963 Carlson Blvd., Richmond. Call 233-5543.

Autism Society of America, North Alameda County Chapter meets on the first and third Saturdays of every month, 3-5 p.m. Call 658-1249 or 521-3973 for location.

Bereavement Support Group, sponsored by the Grief Counseling Project, a program of the Suicide Prevention & Crisis Intervention of Alameda County, meets in Berkeley. Bereavement Support Groups are a safe, confidential place for people to receive support around loss. Understanding emotions, as well as learning about loss may also aid in the healing process. The group will be held from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. and will meet for 10 weeks starting in Aug. Call 889-1104.

Berkeley Arthritis Club meets second Tuesday of every month, 1 p.m. Alta Bates Medical Center Herrick campus.

Breast Cancer Support Groups are offered by the Alta Bates Comprehensive Breast Center. Women under 40 that have been newly diagnosed or are under treatment meet the first and third Thursday of every month from 5-7 p.m.; An informal education forum for spouses and partners of women with breast cancer meets the third Thursday of every month from 6-8 p.m.; A group for women who are candidates for autologous bone marrow transplants as a treatment meets the second Tuesday of every month from 10 a.m. - noon. All groups meet at Alta Bates Medical Center, 2450 Ashby Ave., in Berkeley. There is no charge and pre-registration is required. Call 204-1811.

Cancer Support Group for patients, caretakers, long-term survivors and friends; every other Friday, 9:30-11 a.m. All Souls Episcopal Church, Spruce and Cedar, Berkeley. 845-9055.

Debtors Anonymous (East Bay) meets Thursdays, 8-9:30 p.m. for free/donation ongoing support, discussions and practical tips at Berkeley-Albany Recovery Center, 806 Bancroft Way. 548-2483.

Disabled and Deaf Parents Support Group, second and fourth Wednesdays, 4 to 5:15 p.m. sponsored by Center for Independent Living. American Sign Language interpreters available. Big Room, St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 841-4776 voice; 848-3101 TDD.

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Heart Talks are Tuesday of each month at Brookside Hospital in 2000 Vale Road, San Jose. 7006.

Overeaters Anonymous (Cerrito) meets Tuesday 7 p.m. at El Cerrito Union Church, 6830 Stockton. 893-6272.

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Partners of Survivors of Suicide: Meetings of persons who are personalities and of survivors. Tuesdays, Mandana House, 510 Oakland. Call 839-6444.

Secular Organizations for Bereavement meets Monday, 8-9 p.m. in Berkeley at Aquatic Park, 814-2222.

Survivors of incest: a 12-step group, abused as children, meets days, 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Senior Center, 846 Mass. Call Wendy at 841-2082.

Tilden Health Center: Single parent support group meets bi-monthly, Thanksgiving & Following Year Wednesdays; This is a Life Review of Seniors monthly, Thursdays; Monday-Nite Jam Session; Bell for information at 401 Grizzly Peak Blvd.

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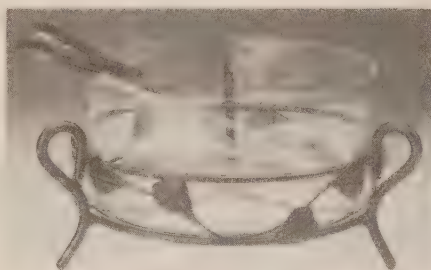
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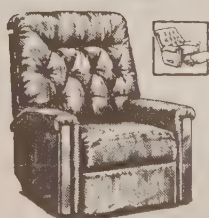
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PRIME TIME LIVING

By Joe King

As we add years to our lives, things tend to slow down some. Nevertheless, getting older doesn't have to mean becoming old. We've seen some remarkable examples of the "performance defying age" phenomenon.

Payton Jordan, the former Stanford and U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team member, was born 77 years ago, yet he can still beat the average high school youngster in a 100 yard or 200 yard race. In our first column last May, we told you about George Lessor, still an active golfer at age 98.

During the recent pre-election weeks, a seniors current events class at Mastick Senior Center in Alameda conducted spirited and well-informed discussions on the various propositions and candidates at issue. It's as important to keep the mind active and flexible as well as the body.

With these thoughts in mind, we were particularly impressed with an exercise class observed at Chaparral House in Berkeley. This is a non-profit, intermediate care facility (for those in need of regular nursing care, but not bedridden). Activities Director, Larry Coltrane had invited us to observe an exercise class being led by Gertrude Lessini, a graduate nurse who is also on Chaparral House's Board of Directors. Lessini is looking forward to her 88th birthday in two weeks.

With most of the class in wheelchairs, Lessini conducted exercises designed for people sitting down. They included arm, leg, shoulder and head movements; and a beach ball was brought into play in the latter half of the half-hour session. In this Gertrude Lessini's own quickness and agility were impressive as she continually kept the ball no matter how sharply or angularly it was batted, thrown, or kicked back to her by each member of the semi-circled group.

We learned that Lessini's very active life has included not only regular nursing, but also working for the Red Cross during World War II and teaching student nurses in Africa. Now, in addition to the weekly exercise class, she has been working as a volunteer in the office and the thrift shop and helps deliver food to the drop-center for the homeless.

"Of course, I still find time to go bird watching and I also do a lot of reading," Lessini answered when asked if she had time for any hobbies.

That's the formula, folks: stay as active in mind and body for as long as you can.

Before leaving Chaparral House, we met James Johnson, administrator of the

facility for the past seven years. It was founded by former Berkeley mayor Wallace Johnson in 1972 and opened its doors as an East Bay Community-based operation in 1978. As we indicated earlier, it's for those who are in need of nursing supervision, nursing assistance and supportive care, but do not need to stay in bed continuously.

As we strolled along a beautifully landscaped lawn and garden grounds, he explained that the basic principles of Chaparral House are "freedom of choice and expression, security and stability, right to privacy, and opportunities to participate and contribute."

Pointing across hedge and tree lined Strawberry Creek, Johnson indicated a huge senior residence called Strawberry Creek Lodge, a senior housing unit of which he is the treasurer. "Here at Chaparral House we have 25 single rooms and 12 shared rooms," he added.

Chaparral House is located on Allston Way in Berkeley.

Being a very active volunteer is regular stuff for Peggy Hawthorne at The Matilda Brown Home in Oakland.

This stately retirement facility is surrounded by two acres of landscaped grounds and has been providing residential care for ladies seeking relief from the responsibilities of maintaining a private home since 1872. In that year, six women met in the

basement of the local Episcopal Church and founded it as "The Ladies Home Society".

At first, it occupied the same grounds as a children's nursery and an orphanage also operated by the society. Eventually, the land housing them was sold off, however. The present football field of Oakland Technical High now occupies a portion of that earlier site.

Getting back to Peggy, she is about as spry and energetic a person as you'd want to meet. Her volunteer work at the home includes not only taking over in the office to give staff a lunch break, but she also works with plant development. Visitors can see much of her flowering efforts adorning the a light and sunny recreation room on the second floor as well in other parts of the building and grounds.

On the afternoon of our visit, children from nearby Park Day School were making one of their regular visits. The children sang songs and spent shared reading time with residents who collected in the large dining room and parlor on the first floor.

"We have a strong intergenerational program here at Matilda Brown Home," says Lois O'Connell, the administrator for this unique retirement residence.

We also learned from O'Connell that there are 29 ladies residing in this very comprehensive assisted living program. They have their own apartments and their own furniture - all in a setting of Victorian ambiance.

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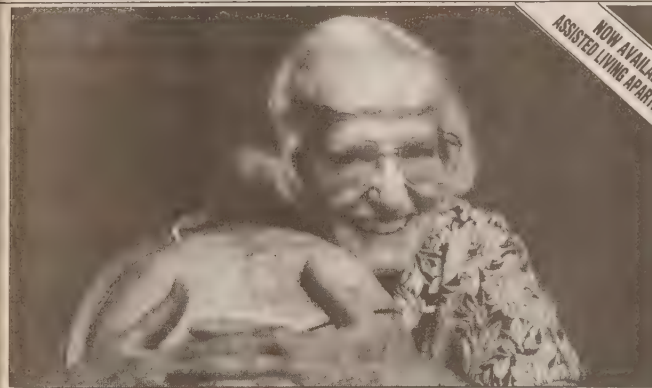
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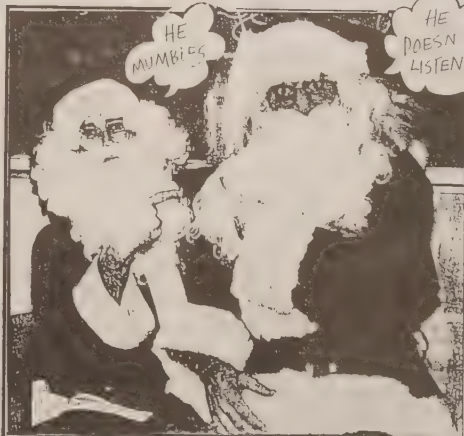
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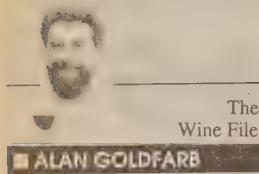


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The bearded film director, in an ill-fitting dark honey-mustard shaggy suit, addresses the gathered crowd amidst cameras and lights. An aging Italian mother sits beside him proudly, while third- and fourth-generation kin of the sea captain who built the estate return after all these years.

Cut to: Real Life.

The estate in our scenario is the historic *Ingenook* — one of California's original wineries; the filmmaker is Francis Ford Coppola, one of America's great directors, and the relatives are the daughter and granddaughters of the family who originally founded this once-proud winery.

Coppola, the director of such films as *The Godfather* and

Coppola's purchase of Ingenook preserves venerable institution

Apocalypse Now, heretofore had been a low-profile player in the California wine business as owner of *Niebaum-Coppola Estate* winery. Last week he became a major force in the Napa Valley, having purchased Ingenook for about \$12 million.

Since 1978, from about a quarter-mile directly behind the Ingenook chateau, Coppola has been overseeing a line of wines, which includes the premium Rubicon (a red blend), Francis Coppola Family Wines (Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Chardonnay), and Edizione Pennino (zinfandel). As part of the deal, he will add a lower-end wine — the Gustave Niebaum Collection.

The Ingenook chateau will now be known as Niebaum-Coppola Estate, while Canandaigua, a giant New York company, will continue to produce wines from other vineyards under the Ingenook label.

It has always been important to Coppola that his neighbors not think of him as a dilettante come to play in their vineyards. He made this point evident as he sat down to talk to me in the Captain's Room, a small, dark, and cold space just inside the entrance to the cavernous 1880s chateau.

"I never promoted Niebaum-

Coppola because I didn't want people to say, 'Here's a Hollywood Guy,'" he says. "A lot of people assumed I lived in Los Angeles, but I've been living here since shortly after I made a film with George Lucas (*American Graffiti* in 1973 ...)

"This will not be an operation by a filmmaker who dabbles in it. It will be a professional operation," he continues. "It's not so much of a departure for me. It's still show business."

With the purchase of Ingenook, he has increased his sphere of influence. In his portfolio now is his San Francisco film production company American Zoetrope; a resort he owns in Belize; and Rubicon, a San Francisco restaurant he owns with Robert DeNiro and Robin Williams.

It would appear that the 55-year-old Coppola is back on solid financial ground. He readily admits that he "went into hock" after his well-documented 1982 box-office disaster *One From the Heart*. But he tells me, it was 1992's *Bram Stoker's Dracula*, which he produced as well as directed, that enabled him to make the Ingenook purchase.

"Dracula bought Ingenook," he declares.

He so coveted Ingenook that even on the day he announced

the transaction, Coppola still had not allowed himself to walk the chateau's creaky redwood stairs to its ballroom-sized rooms.

"I've never been up there because I was afraid my heart would be broken if we didn't get it," he admits.

Sitting alongside him is his mother, Italia, and wandering through the chateau are Robin Lail and her daughters Erin, 24, and Shannon, 22, whose father and grandfather are descendants of Captain Gustave Niebaum, who founded the property in the late 1870s.

Just last September Lail, whose father had sold Ingenook in 1962, had told a gathering at the place where she had played as a kid, that she wished she could "... recreate Ingenook and keep it that way forever."

Although Coppola won't be calling it Ingenook, at least it's a working winery again.

"I've always been interested in preserving great American institutions such as the old film studios like MGM," Coppola told me. "... Now I've saved one of America's great wine institutions."

Coppola had invited Lail and her daughters to drink in the moment of the resurrection of their ancestor's estate.

As Lail's daughters allowed themselves to meander through

the chateau for the first time, Shannon came upon a half set of old German steins and blue Delft pottery in the Captain's Room.

"I recognized them right away. My mother has the other half in her own home," Shannon

says. "It puts a beginning on all the stories."

Oakland resident Alan Goldfarb writes regularly for wine. Write to him at The Newspapers, 6208 La San, Oakland, 94611.

Conference focuses on baby boomers' spiritual life

Nationally known authors Wade Clark Roof and Dean Hoge, Benton Johnson, and Donald Luidens will speak in Berkeley on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 12 and 13 regarding the religious life and spirituality of baby boomers.

Roof is the author of *A Generation of Seekers: The Spiritual Journeys of the Baby Boomer Generation*. Hoge, Johnson and Luidens have written *Vanishing Boundaries: The Religion of Mainline Protestant Baby Boomers* — recently awarded the 1994 Distinguished Book Award by the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. Barry Kosmin, CUNY Graduate School; Arnold Eisen, Stanford University; and many other experienced scholars and clergy will also be on hand.

Roof and others will discuss their research as part of "Baby Boomers: Their Religious and Spiritual Life," a two-day conference cosponsored by the Graduate Theological Union

and the Louisville Institute Study of Protestantism in America. The conference will take place at the University Christian Center, Berkeley, and features presentations and open-mike seminars on the ways in which "baby boomers" — those born between 1946 and 1964 — are reshaping religious and spiritual practices.

Recent research on baby boomers has shown them to be moving towards spirituality and institutions which differ from those of previous generations.

Rather than a formal "symposium" the January conference will provide an opportunity for clergy and other church professionals to meet experts in the baby boomer research and discuss with them such issues as changing congregations, shifting attitudes towards traditional religious practices, and the growth of religious communities.

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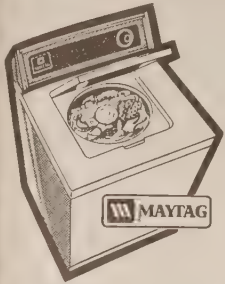
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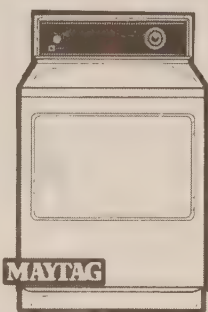
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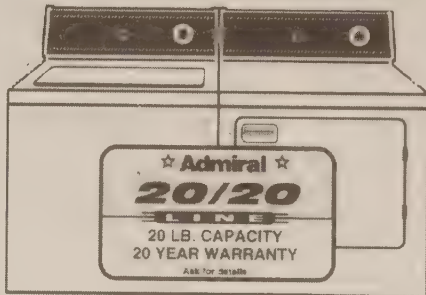


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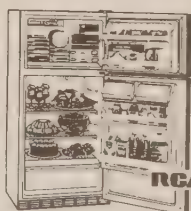
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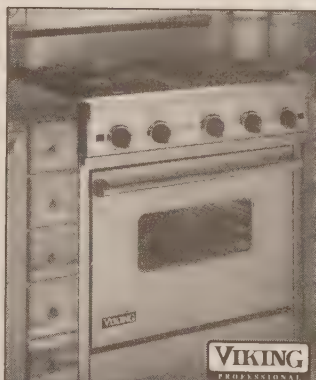
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Panthers basketball traveling rough road

By Peter Mentor

St. Mary's sees some positive signs for the basketball season, most of them are not in the win column this year. The team has players to other teams and is in for a rough season in a tough league.

The Panthers (3-4) had the misfortune of playing undefeated Pinole Valley Amador Valley (8-0). The result was a 56-41 non-league loss in front of a small crowd at St. Mary's Friday.

St. Mary's trailed Amador Valley nine points after one quarter when the Panthers began scoring in the second quarter and were down only 31-20 at the

end of the third quarter when they held on to just eight points.

St. Mary's coach Sam Sims' assistant at 2:20 in the quarter ended the Panthers' only win in that same time to trail

St. Mary's actually outscored Amador Valley 19-17 in the fourth quarter, but the Dons scored the first eight points of the quarter and led by 25 when the Panthers started to pick up ground.

The stat sheet shows why St. Mary's is not at the same level as Amador Valley.

Jeff Adiego scored a team-high nine points and there were nine other Panther players who scored.

Brendon Cook and Nate Fripp chipped in six points each, while Mike Sanders scored five points, Sims and Godfrey McFarland scored four points apiece and Mike Dade, Zach Norris and Don Sims each had one basket. Lee Young-Welshe hit one free throw.

"We don't have a go-to guy," said St. Mary's third-year coach Restelli Brown.

One of the "go-to" guys was all-league player Marcel Davis, who left with another Panther player for the highly fertile ground at El Cerrito.

Davis was a proven scorer and

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Top left: St. Mary's No. 11 Godfrey McFarland couldn't squeeze through a pair of Amador defenders; above: Panther Don Sims drives hard for 2 points over a teammate and an Amador defender.

Jeff Lindquist

Gauchos look like winners

By Scott Kaplan

It had to figure that if El Cerrito could go 3-3 against some of the nation's and state's top teams in the Berkeley and De La Salle classics respectively, they'd be almost anybody else.

Gauchos certainly won't argue on that point. The team's ability to play solid for a full four quarters.

"The consistency was there when we played up north," said Huber.

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coach Chris Huber. "He's more of a team player — he gives up the ball sooner and is shooting the ball better."

El Cerrito's victories this year hadn't been all that consistent, as the Gauchos saw leads of 15-20 points come precariously close to dissipating.

Last week though, Huber did see a noted improvement in the team's ability to play solid for a full four quarters.

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A day later the Gauchos beat host Eureka 59-49. Davis hit for a season-high 21 points while king had 18.

"We played pretty well," said Huber. "The teams we played against were a little bit different than the caliber of teams we played down here. Their style was different but they were quality teams."

As of last week El Cerrito's record stands at 6-3 overall with four more non-league games remaining.

The Gauchos have won five straight since their 83-72 overtime loss to nationally-ranked St. Raymond's from New York.

"I don't like to say that we won't lose another game (in the preseason)," said Huber. "But, realistically, I think we can go through the rest of the preseason with winning or coming very close to winning every game."

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Albany likes winner's circle

By Scott Kaplan

The beat goes on for the Albany High School boys basketball team.

Last Saturday the Cougars wrapped up the Richmond invitational tourney by downing Salesian 71-54 in the championship game at the Richmond Auditorium.

The Cougars swept through the three-game tourney, winning by an average of 18 points. As of last week Albany has a record of 7-2 overall.

"I'm real pleased with our record," said coach Doug Kagawa. "That will help us for the NCS applications because our league (the ACCAL) is so tough. We need a good preseason record to be credible because at the North Coast meetings all they go by is how many wins you've got."

"I am surprised that our record is 7-2. I didn't think that we'd be at this stage. We have a pretty good mixture of kids who are willing to run the plays but we also have some kids who can score," continued Kagawa.

Indeed the Cougars can put some points on the board. Albany is averaging 67 points per contest, not too far off from the school record of 72 set back in 1990-91.

As expected, swingman Jon Sanger has been Albany's catalyst, averaging 21.6 points per game and double figure rebounds per contest as well.

"We have Sanger, who can shoot it up but he can also play all five positions," said Kagawa. "Andre Rabb-Patterson has stepped it up and taken his game to another level. He's rebounding and scoring much better (12 ppg) than I thought he would."

The prowess of Sanger and Rabb-Patterson hasn't necessarily gone without assistance. Vincent Chooi, the Cougars junior playmaker, has been pivotal to Albany's strong start.

"He's smart out on the court," said Kagawa of his point guard. "Offensively he loves to run the show and he can pull up and shoot the three. Defensively he gets out of our basic scene but he knows what the other teams doing and gets in their way."

Chooi averaged 5.5 points a game last season as a starting sophomore and has upped his average to nearly twice that amount this year at 9.8 ppg. Chooi is shooting his three-point shots at around the 40 percent mark.

Versus Salesian, Chooi bombed in a career-high 15 points, including two 3's as the Cougars overcame a sluggish first quarter which saw them trail 10-3 at one point.

But Albany took control in the second and third quarters, outscoring the Chiefs 40-23.

Sanger came alive after a sluggish first half by tossing in 11 second half points, 10 in the third quarter.

Sanger and Rabb-Patterson led all scorers with 16 points each. Brandon Johnson had another consistent game, tossing in seven points.

"We've got a whole bunch of guys who are playing different roles on the team and doing a good job," said Kagawa. "They're a good group of kids to work with because they blend well and play hard."

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Albany's 3rd shutout

Izaki, Gray and Goldstein save the day, the game

By Peter Mentor

Albany girls' soccer lifted its record to 3-0 when Annie Izaki scored from 12 yards out with 15 minutes left in the game for a 1-0 win over Pinole Valley Friday.

This was the third shutout of the season in three games for the Cougars, who beat Mt. Diablo 6-0 and Pittsburg 4-0 before winning this game in a much closer contest.

The box around the Pinole Valley goal was crowded with players when the ball came out to Izaki, who stuck it in the far corner dur-

ing a rare offensive surge for the Cougars in the second half.

Pinole Valley had the ball in Albany's end for most of the last 25 minutes of the game, but could not score.

Cougar goalie Miki Gray notched her third shutout of the season, and this was the first game she had to play from whistle to whistle.

Once again Albany coach Della Martinez praised the defensive play of Doris Mitchell and Jenny Graves, but this time Gray had more shots on goal than usual and she did an excellent job keeping the scoreboard clean on five tough shots from Pinole Valley.

"Miki has been playing really strong in goal," said Martinez of her talented keeper.

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Gaucha soccer looks up with win over De Anza

By Peter Mentor

Emily Compagno found a gap in the De Anza defense, slipped by Don keeper Kara Bradfield and pushed the ball into the net for El Cerrito's winning goal in a 1-0 non-league girls' soccer victory at home against De Anza Thursday night.

It was the highlight of a game played on the muddy El Cerrito field and it was the best moment for this Lady Gaucha team that has struggled in the preseason.

The victory gave El Cerrito its second consecutive preseason win, the other coming in a 5-0 shutout against a weak Richmond team two days earlier at El Cerrito.

The Lady Gauchos raised their record to 2-4, not including the tournament games from the Concord Invitational that was played at the start of the season where the team competed in multiple games over two days of play.

The win over Richmond was tempered by the fact that Richmond is not a good team, but beating De Anza was a joy because of the recent history between these two teams.

Last year El Cerrito beat De Anza 1-0 at home, but in the second meeting De Anza broke a 2-2 tie when El Cerrito was called for

a penalty, and the Dons got off a quick shot before the Lady Gauchos had a chance to set up to win it 3-2 at De Anza.

That gave the teams a split for the season and El Cerrito has been waiting since then to get that game back.

In the game Thursday, De Anza shutout El Cerrito 30-15 and both

'It is a very upcoming team'

—EC COACH ROBERT SACKLEY

goalies made 15 saves.

De Anza forward Allison Medellin had the hardest shot of the game, a rocket that bounced off the cross bar. El Cerrito watched two Don shots carom off the cross bar and both times the Lady Gauchos were able to clear the ball away.

El Cerrito was able to penetrate quite often in the Dons' end of the field, but Bradfield made several saves by coming out of the goal to stop the threat.

"Their goal keeper is aggressive," said El Cerrito coach Robert Sackley. "They played hard."

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Jackets refuse to lose; win at Amador

By Peter Mentor

Berkeley is starting to look like a real Division I girls' hoops contender this season after winning the Amador Basketball Classic with three impressive victories that brought the Yellowjackets to 8-1 this season.

The Jackets knocked off tournament host Amador Valley 48-47 in the opening round and came from behind to beat Sonora 43-41 in the semifinals to reach the finals for a 49-40 victory against defending Division III State Champion St. Francis.

Berkeley started off slow in championship game and a one-point offensive third quarter didn't help, but the Jackets came on strong in the end on a 19-8 run in the fourth quarter to win the tournament title.

The key to the wins was the Berkeley defense that held St. Francis to 14 total points in the second half by pressing and pressuring for turnovers.

Coaches will say they hate to win if their team doesn't put out the effort and some coaches even don't mind losing when the team goes all out.

In this case, Berkeley players gave it their all and got the win, the sweetest of all victories.

"The highlight of this whole tournament is how hard we played," said Berkeley coach Gene Nakamura. "The chemistry of this team I have this year...they don't want to lose and that's just what it takes."

St. Francis led 15-10 after one quarter, but Berkeley fought back for a 29-26 advantage at the half.

The third quarter was a defensive gem for both teams, but Berkeley could not hit a bucket and scored just one point on a single free throw.

St. Francis regained the lead, but it wasn't by much because Berkeley allowed only six points

'To win it and go 3-0 is really an accomplishment'

—COACH GENE NAKAMURA

in the quarter and it was 32-30 heading into the final frame.

Berkeley played impressive defense in the fourth quarter, holding St. Francis to eight points. The Jacket offense was able to break the St. Francis press and Berkeley scored 19 points to win it.

"We pressed them and put a lot of pressure on the full-court press and wore them down," said Nakamura.

Berkeley may have won by even more had the team shot better from the line. An anemic 7-for-22 night from the free throw line was the only sore point in an otherwise fine performance.

To even make the finals Berkeley had to fight back in another fourth-quarter offensive blitz

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Soccer

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This was a team we were looking forward to playing."

This season El Cerrito had more than enough players trying out for the team and without a junior varsity team Sackey kept 23 on the varsity roster, figuring some of the players would not play much but would learn for next year.

"It is a very upcoming team," said Sackey of his squad. "We are trying to play as a team, which is very difficult. They seem to love the game, which wasn't the case last year (when they started). The problem is I have 23 players and I cannot play them all."

Sackey is still in the stages of teaching the game to most of his players. They know what to do and he has taught them the basics, but the lack of experience brings slight brain fog to some of the players in game situations.

"I want to stand on the sideline and tell them one or two things and they'll know what to do," said Sackey of his view of the future. "What I am doing now is playing the game from the sideline. We are at the first few steps of the intermediate level."

El Cerrito went to the North Coast playoffs last

year, but this year the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League changed to a non-divisional system with the top six teams making the league playoffs and the top two teams going to North Coast.

Sackey said his team needs to win at least six league games to make the playoffs and with St. Elizabeth bowing out of the race it will be harder.

THE PLAYERS

Seniors Jana Starkweather and Kelleen Nixon and sophomore Katrina Vrooman are playing forwards this year and senior Carmela Tan is the center halfback.

Halfback/sweeper sophomore Tiffany Okubo is a defender who takes all the corner kicks and penalty shots. "Tiffany is a tough one," said Sackey. "I moved her to halfback because she has a powerful kick. She plays offense with an eye on defense. Tiffany can stop the ball and break through. Most of the players don't have that."

Compagno, a sophomore who dances ballet and is an all-around athlete, moved from stopper to halfback and scored the game-winner Thursday. Sackey says Compagno is one of the most aggressive players on the field and is a team motivator, although she

needs to pick the right times to talk.

In the middle of the field are the M&M sophomores Maggie O'Neal and Meka Kahn, two aggressive players. Moving to stopper was sophomore Lucina Zehm and senior Jennifer Milligan is at sweeper. Milligan is a good athlete with little soccer experience, although she was able to stop many of the attacks put forth by De Anza.

Sophomore Wen-Yee Choi is another center halfback with an aggressive style and senior Nicole Nelson was on vacation for the first half of the year. Although Nelson was a starter, she will have to work her way back to her position.

Finally in goal is junior Katie Toro, who played hurt the other night and did well in spite of the pain. Her backups in goal are junior Myiesha Phelps and sophomore Kristin Rissanen.

Sackey has help from assistant coach Laurie Rissanen, who acts as a mediator between Sackey on the players at times.

Sackey said he has to raise his voice after telling his players the same thing more than once. He doesn't want them to take it personally and Rissanen helps in that function as well as being a coach with another view.

This team has five seniors, four juniors, three sophomores and three freshmen. On the bench are freshman Miriam Abelson, sophomore Prussini and Erin Dann, and juniors Liz Fierro.

El Cerrito was scheduled to play Wednesday and then take off some time. The league begins January 6 against Pismo with De Anza is set for January 10. The match against crosstown rival Albany is set for January 13th.

"El Cerrito and Albany will be a good match," joked Sackey. "Albany coach De Anza refuses to play a game with me, which has been very lovely. We wanted to play them in preseason, but she said 'No Robert wait.' It's going to be a very tough game. We are going to have to prove ourselves."

El Cerrito showed it could play well last year. This season the team will be in the middle of the playoffs, which is the middle of February.

The team is hoping for some success. Lady Gauchos might not get what they need to make it to the playoffs.

Jackets

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against Sonora, against a team which despite the close game Nakamura called "the easiest of the three teams we played."

Sonora led 16-8 in the first quarter, but Berkeley held Sonora to just three points in the second quarter to pull within three at 19-16.

Sonora extended the lead to six by the fourth quarter, but once again the Jackets finally got some offense and a 17-9 run was the difference.

The tournament opener was the toughest by far against Amador Valley, one of the best teams in the state this year. Berkeley won it by a point and Amador Valley went on to pummel other teams and finish third.

Amador Valley had a 40-6 lead on San Ramon in the third quarter of that game and went on to win by 25 points and the Dons went to win the consolation

final against Sonora.

"Amador lost to us that first night then blew away everyone else they played," said Nakamura. "We won the tournament and Amador won the consolation, so I think the best two teams played the first night."

"They have three six-footers. Tiffany Green did a good job taking away the ball after the lob to the six-footers. She could easily have been the MVP of that tournament."

Amador packed the inside of the key with a zone defense and it was Green's job to drive the gaps. When Amador would step up to stop her, Green would dish off to a teammate for the open shot.

Green did make the all-tournament team along with Jennifer DeBellis, but it was teammate Maruwa Ngumezi who was picked the MVP.

Ngumezi scored 26 points in the three games, but

more important was her 34 rebounds in that span and a great defensive game against St. Francis star Raya Fontaine that got her the high honor.

"Maruwa Ngumezi shut her down," said Nakamura. "She scored 13 points and had 11 rebounds against St. Francis."

Green also had impressive numbers, scoring 25 points in the tournament, while her staunch defense and selfless passing were a real positive. She dished nine assists against St. Francis, had three assists and four rebounds against Sonora and picked up four assists and six steals to accompany her 11 points against Amador Valley.

DeBellis was also worthy of accolades, leading the team in scoring with 34 points for the tournament.

But Berkeley played well as a team and each player added solid performances.

In the finals Kym Ford had a great game. Deonna Sayles scored nine of her 14 points in the fourth quarter and Jamala Rahim was in a supporting role off the bench. Nakamura was honest with his team, thinking his team had won three games and still play well.

Instead they won two games by the end of the tournament. They came back to win in the finals for the first time.

"That's really surprising," said Nakamura. "I said to myself before the game it's possible to go 0-3. To win it was an accomplishment to the heart of the team."

Berkeley was scheduled to play at home Tuesday and then head out to the tournament next Wednesday through Friday. The team is hoping for a good finish in the preseason.

Panthers

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his absence hurt the team.

Will Booker was another St. Mary's scorer, but he hurt his ankle and is out a couple weeks along with Dennis Haynes. The two players have foot injuries and should return for Alameda Contra Costa League play in January.

Fripp, Sims and Booker also played football and are still not in basketball shape yet.

So it's easy to see why the Panthers cannot contend with the Dons, who have shooters like Craig Jimmers scoring 23 points and Steve Flemming

scoring 14 points. Those two had a combined 30 points by the end of the third quarter and they were 12-for-15 from the free throw line for the game. When one was not open the other was and they dished the ball to each other in comfortable passing lanes. Still, the Panthers are playing hard and tough, a real sign of persistence in the face of adversity.

"We're playing hard against everybody," said Brown. "We don't have a whole lot of experienced talent. We played close in the first half, but it's the second half where the talent starts to separate itself. You can't lose your confidence and that third quar-

ter hurt us."

The positive signs for the team are Adiego and Cook. Adiego made the all-tournament team at the St. Patrick's tournament, while the 6-foot-6 sophomore Cook is starting to be more confident on his inside play.

"When the big guy got the ball he got the buckets," said Brown of Cook. "We are learning the interior passes. We'll be better by the end of the season. It's a good proving ground for these kids."

St. Mary's plays at Livermore tonight (7:00 tipoff) and then takes a small break.

Shutout

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Cougar freshman Amanda Goldstein saved the game twice for Albany. Two times Pinole Valley players got by Gray on the far side and Goldstein was able to clear the ball before it crossed the goal line.

"Amanda had two excellent saves that otherwise might be goals," said Martinez.

"One looked like it was going in, but she caught up to it and cleared it."

Albany had control of the ball

through most of the first half, and the Cougars had better control on the muddy field than the Spartans, a team with a tendency to kick and run in those conditions.

Albany had a game rained out last week against Berkeley and is looking for a time to make up that game.

The Cougars were set to play the Piedmont junior varsity Monday, and the team has a few days off before facing Antioch next Wednesday in a night game at Antioch (6:30).

Albany

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Albany got to the championship round by downing previously undefeated John Swett 80-69 in the opener. Sanger tossed in a team-high 26 points while Rabb-Patterson added 14 and sophomore Danny Christopher 12.

Friday, the Cougars beat JFK Richmond 72-45. Rabb-Patterson

scored 18 points and Sanger 17. Chooi added 11 and forward Chris Hawkins had a season-high 8 points.

"I'm pleased with winning the tournament," said Kagawa. "The kids were real happy. Some of the kids said that they'd never been on a championship anything before. They'd always been second."

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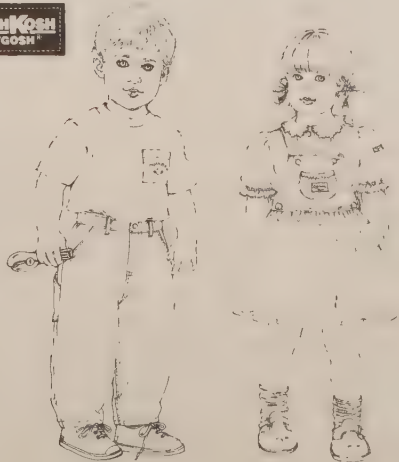
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like congratulating a dance company for the idea of a Christmas *Nutcracker*. Nor were there any innovations in the production—not that any would have been welcome in a work that, more than any other, occupies a treasured place in the memory of anyone who loves music and grew up during the 1950s, when the Hallmark Hall of Fame presented the work each year on NBC.

Oakland Lyric Opera's short-term focus seems to be revues delivered with very high quality.

Amahl is a concentrated tear-jerker of nearly unrivaled lyricism, a real little masterpiece, and OLO's cast captured every one of its high points. Interestingly, although Menotti builds the 45-minute piece around a boy soprano, *Amahl* is given none of the show-stoppers. Yet the crippled shepherd had better be winsome or the drama lacks a heart.

Two boys alternated in the role; on Saturday evening it was David Kasheveroff. His voice has an interesting huskiness at mid-range with the necessary ability to soar with purity, and he literally didn't miss a note. (This is a work where half your audience is likely to know every note by heart.)

He acted just as well, with no hint of choir-boy preciousness. I found myself gulping back tears as *Amahl* tries to protect his mother from the king's servant, then falters for lack of strength.

Buffy Baggott as his mother was simply superb. Singers like Baggott are one of the justifications for small-scale opera productions: to present singers with first-rate smaller-scale voices. I doubt if Baggott could begin to sing to a house the size of S.F. Opera's, but the quality of her voice was better than all but two of the sopranos presented there this season. She easily matched any who have recorded this role.

The three kings were also excellent, especially the rich baritone of Frederick Matthews as Balthazar; and Charles Gravenhorst was a delight as the antic Kaspar.

Outdated view of disability

(Both Kaspar's comic deafness and the pity we're meant to feel

view." He then freely sounded a very upbeat note about the organization, finding it a big advance over practicing alone at home.

"I don't look at it as work," he said. "I like to hear how everyone else plays—and it's fun to play with other people."

Gold added that by playing in BYO, his repertoire "is growing by leaps and bounds."

"Last year we played a bunch of Russian music; we do some modern stuff; we play Mozart—it all helps a lot."

The strings are, of course, the most likely section not to play in tune. Gold felt confident enough about them to suggest that "a big improvement" in the overall sound of the orchestra would occur if they played not softer, but louder.

Of Krinitsky's conducting, Gold said, "Her involvement with the music never gets in the way of the beat. I can always read it." (This is not always the case with conductors of major orchestras.)

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for *Amahl*'s lameness are relics of an era before the disabled were admitted into the mainstream of society—another case, like *Merchant of Venice*, where advancing mores erode our enjoyment of a masterpiece.)

The chamber orchestra was sensitively led by the company's artistic director, John-Kevin Hilbert. The one decision I question was letting the boisterous shepherds' dance—full of high-spirited whoops and shouts—drown out the wonderful dance music, though in theatrical terms the choice is understandable.

The second half of the evening was just as enjoyable as the first, though it could hardly have been less substantial. The brainchild of director Sandra Bernhard (who also directed S.F. Opera's near-perfect *Lucia di Lammermoor*), *Holiday Miracle* combined disparate elements that shared one thing—their easy enjoyability.

The premise (which didn't bear thinking about) was that a street urchin, Joey, has been given a temporary home backstage at an opera house. The season has just ended (with a pre-Christmas performance of *Amahl*), and two men who work in the administration of the company (their jobs are never defined) must decide what will happen to the boy.

Shades of 'Murphy Brown'

The three worry about this problem in a largely improvised drama spiced up by overheated psychodramatic riffs. Henry (Don Cools) has killed his family by driving while drunk; Oskar (Robert Presley) lacked the voice to fulfill his dream of being an opera singer (oddly, these are presented as tragedies of equal severity).

Ultimately Joey chides them for their self-pity, and, à la *Murphy Brown*, tells them that a family is where you find it; so the three of them decide to form a family, and they all go out to dinner.

It made little sense, but it drew on many current events—ranging from events as recent as the first half of the program (Henry's refrain is Kaspar's "This is my box" aria), to *Phantom of the Opera* (about to become the



Sam Coffin as Amahl, Buffy Baggott as his mother

longest-running production in S.F. history), to holiday-related concerns about drunk driving, to the current political struggle to define "family values."

What made this trendy mixture a pleasure was that every five minutes or so, a quartet of ghostly singers appeared at the back of the stage to sing a string of the biggest hits in opera. Against a black back drop, dressed in black with white face and white gloves, and with a mime dressed the same way, the singers didn't seem to be commenting on the stage action so much as interrupting it.

Yet it worked in two ways—for opera lovers, it was treat. For others (especially kids in the audience), the drama kept them from being bored by the singing.

The excerpts were well chosen (the quartet from *Rigoletto*, "Vesti la Giubba" from *Pagliacci*, the duet from the *Pearl Fishers*) and beautifully sung by soprano Keiko Hamilton, mezzo-soprano Shawn Marie Williams, tenor

James Croom and baritone Leland Morine.

Croom was especially good; and indeed, the *Rigoletto* quartet was as good as the performance broadcast that morning from the Met.

Ready for 'Star Search'

The "miracle" of the piece's title was, I think, supposed to be the perception about the nature of family, but the real miracle was a coup de theatre delivered by Booney Escamilla, the 12-year-old who played Joey. As the men argue about his future, Joey climbs a ladder and sings the haunting theme of the movie *The Snowman*, "Walking in the Air."

Speaking of holiday miracles (or at least coincidences), I heard that piece for the first time on KDFC-FM while driving to this performance. It's a show-stopper, particularly when delivered by so polished a performer as the young Escamilla. He possesses a radiant soprano to which he adds throaty

flourishes worthy of a seasoned cabaret singer. It was far better than the radio recording, and in every way, this kid is ready for *Star Search*.

Where does the company go from here? It looks as if such easy-to-like performances will be the thrust of future presentations as well. On Feb. 14, many of the same singers will appear in an opera revue in which (quoting a press release) "Harlequino, a lithe and cheery servant-clown, acts as a comic ringmaster" for another series of operatic chestnuts.

Then, April 28-30, we'll be given *My Fair Lady*.

This is not a direction I would have suggested for a new opera company, but on reflection, it may be a viable one, particularly if the popular fare is delivered with such high quality and undeniable panache.

(If you're interested in buying tickets, or contributing, call 531-4231.)

Historic S.F. and up-to-the-minute Berkeley

THIS IS SAN FRANCISCO by Robert O'Brien (Chronicle Books, \$12.95)

GUIDE TO THE GOOD LIFE IN BERKELEY (Good Life Publications, \$3.95)

By Barbara L. Sloane

Two recent releases are as different at the two cities they feature. In *This Is San Francisco*, Chronicle Books takes us on a nostalgic trip back to the early days of the city which dominates the Bay Area.

Guide to the Good Life in Berkeley, on the other hand, deals forthrightly with the "now" of a trend-setting city in the East Bay.

This Is San Francisco was originally published in 1948 but has now been resurrected in paperback form. Written by former *San Francisco Chronicle* columnist Robert O'Brien, the book delves into the city's storied past and weaves tales of spectacular earlier personalities with descriptions of the 1940s city in which he lived. Some 50 years later, O'Brien's "present" seems as remote and fascinating as the earlier days he chronicles.

O'Brien has organized his tour of San Francisco by streets, moving from the Embarcadero westward to the Great Highway along the Pacific. In his journey he uncovers the history of the "Old Town," the "Hills," the "Main Stem" (Market Street) and the "South of the Slot" neighborhoods.

Typical of O'Brien's style is a paragraph from his imagined trip down Montgomery Street in bygone days:

"Or you might see Lola Montez, swinging along the street in her black-velvet bolero jacket and sweeping silk skirt, her large grey eyes veiled behind the black lace that fell from the brim of her broad hat.

"There would be miners down from the Comstock in their rough beards, their red shirts and battered hats, gamblers from Portsmouth Square in high, polished boots and stove-pipes and

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ruffled shirt fronts that glittered with diamonds. You would meet the characters—the street preachers; Emperor Norton moving regally in the direction of the Donohoe-Kelly Bank to cash his worthless drafts on the royal treasury; the Guttersnipe on the prowl for a discarded crust or the butt of a half-smoked cigar."

O'Brien introduces us to these characters and many more: Lillie Coit whose monument to her beloved firefighters still stands atop Telegraph Hill; Duncan Nicol who invented a drink called Pisco Punch and is credited with opening the first cocktail lounge in the city; Edward Gilbert, one of many early San Francisco editors who found himself involved in a duel, one from which he did not return alive; Adolph Sutro, whose gifts to the city included six of the world's largest indoor swimming pools; and Luisa Tetrazzini who sang on Christmas Eve 1910 to an estimated 100,000 people gathered around Lotta's

Fountain at the intersection of Market, Third, Kearny and Geary streets.

This is a rollicking account of the wild history of a city which has had its share of scoundrels and heroes. For those old enough and fortunate enough to have been living in San Francisco when this book first appeared, the accounts of piers lined with ships and a Playland-at-the-Beach filled with screaming, happy vacationers will bring especially poignant memories.

However, whether you're a longtime resident, a transplant or just a visitor, *This Is San Francisco* will hold you entranced with its tales of a flamboyant city.

About the only thing *Guide to the Good Life in Berkeley* will tell you about Berkeley's history is how Henry Durant named it for an English bishop whom he admired.

Some local residents, not quite the fabulous characters present in San Francisco's past, do emerge on these pages. Such people as Frederick Crews, Wavy Gravy, Alfred Peet, Galen Rowell and Alice Waters describe their "favorites" in this city, with its own unique personality.

For this is a book of information about housing, restaurants and cafes (250 reviews claimed by the publishers), arts and entertainment, transportation, shopping (from banks to video rentals), and sports and the great outdoors.

An incredible amount of detailed material has been included. Whether you're looking

for a driver's license or housewares, the answer to your search is within *Guide to the Good Life*.

More hints and tidbits about local customs appear under "Slice of Life" sidebars. For example, a positive suggestion about the value of belonging to the California State Automobile Association, and then a tongue-in-cheek review of Berkeley's ongoing problem of naked rights. As the guide says, "To clothe or not to clothe"—in Berkeley, that is the question."

'To clothe or not to clothe'—in Berkeley, that is the question.

—GUIDE TO THE GOOD LIFE IN BERKELEY

In addition to 125 pages about Berkeley, the guide also includes sections on travel in Northern California from the Mendocino coast to the Sierra, and, yes, even San Francisco.

Guide to the Good Life in Berkeley would be an excellent gift for a student new to the UC campus.

Be sure to get the second edition of the book, published this past August, because it contains several pages of coupons good for discounts at various businesses.

Whether you're a new student, a longtime resident or just passing through, *Guide to the Good Life* would be a steal at twice the price.

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OUT and ABOUT
By Frosene Phillips

Once again it's that time of year where I send along holiday greetings to the many people I encounter as I'm "Out and About" throughout the year. For all of you faithful readers out there, I send a special message as well. Circle the first letter from the first name in the beginning of each paragraph below and discover the thoughts that I send your way. Happy Holidays!

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Sunfire's all-new exterior is expressively Pontiac from the sporty Firebird-inspired front fascia to the lighted "Pontiac" nameplate on the rear decklid. Incorporating Pontiac's distinctive front dual ports into a sleek, aerodynamic body, designers crafted a strong statement for Pontiac's excitement image while creating an efficient total package. With the introduction at mid-model year of the GT Coupe, Sunfire draws more fully upon Pontiac's performance image with GT-specific front and rear fascias, aero package, black roof treatment, rear deck spoiler, dual oval exhaust, 16-inch Goodyear Eagle RSA tires and GT-specific cast aluminum wheels.

Wheels and wheel covers for the 1995 Sunfire illustrate Pontiac's exterior styling philosophy. One look at Sunfire's all-new wheels and wheel covers tells the car buyer that this is a sports-minded, fun-to-drive car for the young and the young-minded. The 16-inch, GT-specific, three-blade cast aluminum wheel and the 15-inch Rally cast aluminum wheel are examples of how designers used a combination of bold, sharp edges and softened arcs to achieve the image of motion. The same concept is found in the 14-inch and 15-inch custom bolt-on Sunfire wheel covers.

The form and pierce process is used at Lordstown, Ohio Assembly Center to achieve world class body fit and exterior appearance in Sunfire Coupes and Sedans. This process consists of a series of machines that check, gauge and map each car body frame, then position each and every body panel in relation to the body framework.

Once these customized mounting positions have been identified, each station forms a mounting pad with a pierced hole used later in the assembly process to locate and secure panels. Although variations among car bodies are very minor, the result is a superior custom fit of each and every body panel.

The interior of the 1995 Sunfire gives occupants the sensation of being in a larger car. The SE Sedan, for example, offers more than 105 cu. ft. of usable space (including trunk). Sunfire's standard full fold-down rear seat gives the owner choices in how to use this space. This thoughtful feature allows Sunfire owners to carry longer loads such as skis and surf boards with the decklid shut.

In addition to being spacious, the Sunfire interior was designed for driver convenience. Radio and HVAC controls, for example, are angled toward the driver for improved ergonomics, safety and that distinctive Pontiac cockpit feel. Cluster gauges with standard tachometer are easy to read and dual stalk controls help put the Sunfire driver in control.

Rear heating and ventilation ducts are standard on all Sunfire models. This amenity, normally found on larger cars costing much more, distributes air conditioning (available on all models) and heat to rear seat passengers for their added comfort.

A center console is designed for driver and passenger comfort and convenience. The console includes cupholders, armrest and side-mounted parking brake. When the front console ashtray is removed, the space becomes an additional cupholder for driver or passenger convenience. The ashtray can be installed in a rear



The 1995 Pontiac Sunfire Sedan.

cupholder or simply removed from use.

In today's electronic world, a number of devices such as the cellular telephone, use a vehicle's cigarette lighter well for an electrical outlet. Sunfire designers provided for this usage and created a special pocket on the console to store the lighter when the lighter well is being used for other purposes. The Sunfire interior also offers the convenience of compact disc and cassette storage in the console and door map pockets.

There's never enough closet space in a house or storage space

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Sunfire's devotion to safety is aptly represented in the total design, which takes its styling cues from the two Sunfire concept cars introduced in 1991 and 1994. The 1995 Sunfire has a safety cage that cradles the passenger com-

partment with reinforced structural steel components to help protect occupants during a collision. The safety cage concept is designed to work in conjunction with other occupant protection features such as safety belts, side-guard door beams, padded instrument panel and energy-absorbing steering column and the standard driver and passenger airbags.

The sporty Sunfire SE Sedan and SE Coupe get their power from a 2.2 liter, 120-horsepower OHV engine that delivers 130 ft. lbs. of torque. Sunfire customers may choose the standard 5-speed

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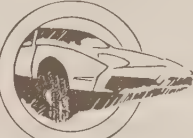
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Bergman takes the helm as BAR's 1995 president

By Dennis Evanovsky

The Berkeley Association of Realtors held its 93rd annual Inaugural Ceremonies at the historic Claremont Hotel Dec. 15.

At the gala dinner and dance, Ruth Altamarino-Ahoy, BAR's 1994 president, passed the gavel of the BAR's presidency to Eugene Bergman.

Having delegated her office to Bergman, Altamarino-Ahoy joins the select group of BAR's post presidents.

Fifteen members of this group were present to witness Bergman's inaugural: Claude Daughtry (1953); Jerome Blank (1957); John Mason (1967); Jack Setzer (1969); Frank Battino (1974); Victor Stachura (1977); David Malcolm (1978 and 1980); Peter Campbell (1979); Deborah Ritchie (1982); Frank Wong (1983); Terry Pedersen (1983); David Ruegg (1987); Laurie Cappitelli (1989); Russell Kierce (1990); and Anita Thede (1992).

The ceremony was witnessed by Berkeley's mayor, Shirley Dean and councilmembers Diane Bauer, Carla Woodworth, and Polly Armstrong. Bill Taylor represented Councilmember Dona Spring.

As 1995 president, Bergman headed the slate of officers installed by the California Association of Realtors' regional chair, Sharon Lucero.

Michael Byrne was installed as president-elect, Don Clark as secretary-treasurer.

Frank Battino will serve BAR as its chief executive director.

Past president Anita Thede was honored by her colleagues as Realtor of the Year.

Affiliate of the Year honors went to Flo Albonico.

David Kafton was the recipient of the Realtor-Associate of the Year award.

In his inaugural address, Bergman called for improved

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Above: Outgoing President Ruth Altamarino-Ahoy passes the gavel to the new 1995 BAR President Eugene Bergman. Kafton received Realtor-Associate of the Year Award for 1994.



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President

Left: Flo Albonico proudly exhibits her Affiliate of the Year award. Below: New BAR chief executive officer Frank Battino chats with new BAR president Eugene Bergman. Far below: BAR past president Anita Thede was honored as Realtor of the Year. The award was presented by new secretary-treasurer Don Clark.

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communications among BAR members, wider participation in BAR committee activities, better cooperation among all Bay Area Realtor associations and a sharper focus on BAR's clients' needs.

Dennis Evanosky, associate broker with Kamm—O'Neal and Associates, freelance writer. You can reach him at 450-0550.



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2621 Edison Ct. - \$207,500
2847 Encinal Ave. - \$210,000
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539 Kings Rd. - \$275,000
2137 Otis Dr. #211 - \$96,000
1131 Park Ave. - \$102,500
61 Purcell Dr. - \$300,000
1310 Santa Clara Ave. - \$134,500
3167 Santa Cruz Lane - \$191,000
1217 St. Charles St. - \$490,000
334 Tideway Dr. - \$290,000
1026 Trellis Lane - \$200,000
1210 Union St. - \$395,000

ALBANY

1067 Neilson St. - \$297,000

BERKELEY

1347 66th St. - \$146,000
1629 Addison St. - \$180,000
210 Alvarado Rd. - \$120,000
988 Creston Rd. - \$362,000
5 El Portal Ct. - \$240,000
923 Fresno Ave. - \$284,000
1488 Grizzly Peak Blvd. - \$400,000
2960 Hillegass Ave. - \$306,500
2828 Kelsey St. - \$369,000
861 Santa Barbara Rd. - \$399,000
1684 Tacoma Ave. - \$216,000
1920 Vine St. - \$255,000
2401 Warring St. - \$345,000

EL CERRITO

1600 Lexington Ave. - \$122,000
1715 Liberty St. #2 - \$150,000
1604 Roger Ct. - \$272,500

EL SOBRANTE

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7070 Monte Verde Rd. - \$292,000

EMERYVILLE

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6363 Christie Ave. #1823 - \$121,000
4 Commodore Dr. #522 - \$95,500
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KENSINGTON

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OAKLAND

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1927 Vicksburg Ave. - \$114,500
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580 Wesley Ave. - \$230,000
83 Yosemite Ave. - \$175,000

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HIGHEST PRICE: \$490,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$258,233

ALBANY

TOTAL SALES: 1
LOWEST PRICE: \$297,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$297,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$297,000

BERKELEY

TOTAL SALES: 13

LOWEST PRICE: \$120,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$400,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$278,653

EL CERRITO

TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: \$122,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$272,500
AVERAGE PRICE: \$181,500

EL SOBRANTE

TOTAL SALES: 2
LOWEST PRICE: \$120,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$292,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$206,000

EMERYVILLE

TOTAL SALES: 4
LOWEST PRICE: \$77,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$121,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$93,500

KENSINGTON

TOTAL SALES: 1
LOWEST PRICE: \$243,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$243,500
AVERAGE PRICE: \$243,500

OAKLAND

TOTAL SALES: 46
LOWEST PRICE: \$100,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$785,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$251,326

PIEDMONT

TOTAL SALES: 1
LOWEST PRICE: \$535,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$535,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$535,000

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By the end of the year, the Office of Planning and Building will have issued approximately 6,000 building permits (new construction and alterations) and an additional 12,000 permits for plumbing, mechanical, electrical, zoning, and engineering permits; with an estimated total value of \$7.8 million.

The department also expects to institute a "Permits By Fax" venture in mid-summer 1995.

"We're doing what we can to move our operations into the 21st century," Robinson added, "while at the same time offering old-fashioned courtesy and personal service to our clientele."

In December, the Office of Planning and Building will streamline and consolidate its operations onto three floors of 1330 Broadway.

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Automotive

101 Autos

ALL Autos Wanted. Full Internal Revenue Service Tax Deduction for 1993 to help the homebuyer. Children. Please call us at 415-871-0885. We need Vans, Cars, RV's, Trucks. Thank you.

CHEVY Cavalier, 1983, 4 door, automatic, air, radio. Great condition! Original! Best offer please! 521-2082

FORD 1991 Aerostar, green, good condition, 60,000 miles, AM/FM cassette, air conditioning, 486-1023

VW 1982 Jetta, 5 speed, sun roof, new engine, tuned, pull-out stereo, \$1950, 658-6538; 540-8055

102 Bicycles

FISHER RS-1 (new, never ridden), 20" full suspension, Rax shock, Shimano XT, Collectors \$1900 540-5335

Announcements

201 Announcements

BOY Scout uniform. Clean out the closet and recycle them to help youngsters. Leave at The Montclair office.

BACK in the area, Marlene Fortes formerly from Montclair Hair Co., now at Glave Salon, 5303 College Ave., Oakland 652-5454. 30% off services by Marlene

HAVING A Party? Need help with preparations, serving and clean-up? Look no further. Party Helpers to the rescue! We are dependable, experienced, high school students with car. Laura, 523-1267

LOOKING for Sally A. Rector, born May 5, 1966, Donald Rector, David Lawrence collect (503) 492-2353

203 Found

To encourage our readers to advertise Found Items, The Hills Newspapers is pleased to offer Found ads free of charge for 2 weeks (maximum 15 words).

FOUND rabbit on St. James, December 11. Please call 428-1955

COIN purse (no money). Monday, 40th and Piedmont. 658-8174

KEYS, Sacori Drive, Oakland 339-0435

YOUNG Black Cat, declawed October 15th, Rose Garden Street, friendly. Wants to go home 655-6730

PEKINGESE, older male, neglected but very sweet, likes kids and cats. Owner or adopt. 763-7882

204 Giveaway

As a community service The Hills Newspapers is pleased to offer Giveaway ads free of charge for 2 weeks (maximum 15 words).

ADULT Male Springer Spaniel, an absolute sweetheart, needs a new home. Call Nicole at 530-2365. Comes with a dog house, accessories and a HUGE HEART.

TWO free well-loved young kittens still with mother. Fluffy black with white markings. 531-1391

WHITE long-haired neutered male cat. Needs to be only cat. Bottle fed baby loving. 278-2486

205 Lost

LARGE grey and white male cat. Rear legs, grey; front legs, white. Reward: (510) 658-9970

Reward

Any information regarding the return of Quadra 840AV Macintosh computer. Missing December 13. 531-3078

REWARD: Newly purchased robe, sleeping bag still in bag. Left in Rockledge Safeway cart. 658-7616

Education

301 Children's Schools & Camps

CIRCLE PRESCHOOL
Offers programs for curious children ages 18 months to 5 years. 547-6447

SMILES DAY SCHOOL
Pre-school program 2.5-5 years. Full-time and part-time. Before and after school program. Pick up and delivery to local elementary schools. 7:30-6:00. 339-3830

303 Instruction & Tutoring

A LEARNING PLACE
Reading, Language Arts, Math, Science, SAT Prep, Diagnostic Testing. Oakland/Berkeley 531-2500

BLOOD Drawing Phlebotomy course by Boston Reed Company. Call 1-800-201-1141. State registered instruction #2800291.

MATH/ Reading Writing Fundamentals tutoring Oakland/ Montclair. K-8 concentration, credentialed teacher. Improve motivation, concentration, self confidence. References. Alan 763-3918

CERTIFIED Teacher-Tutor, multi-sensory instruction. Reading, writing, spelling, math. References. Nancy, Berkeley, 524-7064

304 Musical Instruction

DRUM Lessons, all ages and levels, with patient Berkeley College of Music Professor, Alan (510) 339-6716

GUITAR or bass lessons. 25 years experience. Very patient. (Seniors special rate.) Gene, 531-5625 message

FLUTE lessons; experienced, creative teacher accepting students, all levels, all ages, Oakland hills studio, 531-0609

Employment

401 Help Wanted

ACCOUNTING:

Bay area environmental engineering firm is looking for a motivated junior accountant to aid us in continuing our successful 30 plus year track record. The successful applicant will have a bachelors degree, preferably in accounting and excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Responsibilities include job costing, billing and payables. Prior work experience and knowledge of Win2 software are pluses. Benefits include health, dental, 401(k) and profit sharing. Salary depends on experience. Jobette Alameda, interested applicants send resume and salary requirements to P.O. Box 18040, Oakland, CA 94610-6040

SELLING A CAR?
Call 339-8777

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401 Help Wanted

ACCOUNTANTS Receivable Medium sized East Bay construction firm seeking individual to handle accounts receivable duties 2 to 3 years construction experience to A/R required. Duties will include contract administration, filing, prebills, A/R collection, invoicing, job cost analysis, PC and main frame experience required. Great opportunity for ambitious individual. Resume to P.O. Box 15001, Oakland 94621

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT wordprocessing skills, Mac, WordPerfect 5.1. Good customer service, professional appearance. Call Certified Personnel 444-0290

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
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Santa has come early to Bradford, leaving many wonderful East Bay opportunities, career and temporary. That need Mac and Windows experience. Call right away to start your new career in 1995! Call 272-9911 or Fax 272-0212 BRADFORD PERSONNEL, 1970 Broadway, Oakland 94612

ADVENTURE Travel Company seeks air specialist. Minimum 2 years Apollo. Fax resume to Donna 510-548-0347

APARTMENT MANAGER

Experienced, energetic team for twenty unit building near Lake. Rentals, collections, light maintenance, exchange for 2 bedroom. 452-0162

CARPET installers wanted Part-time and full-time. Call 769-2021

CLERICAL Data entry, 55 words per minute. Full time. \$5 per hour. 352-7490

CLERICAL part-time afternoons for retirement community. Cashier, A/R and general office duties. Mail or Fax resume to Director of Finance, Salem Home, 2361 East 29th St., Oakland, CA 94606. 510-534-0851

COUNTER person for busy lunch cafe. Must be fast and organized. Part-time \$6.75/hour. Jack London Square 835-0446

COURTHOUSE Athletic Club now hiring motivated, enthusiastic, articulate, friendly people oriented Floor Staff. Part-time \$5/hour start. Apply at: 2935 Telegraph Ave., Oakland

C PROGRAMMER with support background for small start-up. Adsoft, P.O. Box 2094, San Leandro, CA 94577

CREDIT AND COLLECTION

Immediate opening for experienced credit and collection. Requires reconciliation of complicated A/R accounts and credit information development for new commercial accounts. Send Resume to: Pine Mountain Corp., 1375 Grand Ave., Piedmont, CA 94610

DEI New upscale specialty food store seeks full-time part-time counter and kitchen help. Must be friendly and energetic. Good to BART. Send resume to The Shop, 965 Mountain View, Lafayette 94549

DENTAL ASSISTANT

WARNING: DON'T RESPOND TO ANY DENTAL ADS UNTIL YOU READ THIS

All offers are not alike. My name is Dr. Josh Bernstein, and I am looking for a warm, caring, professional to join my staff. This describes you: please read on. I like my staff, my office is better than all the rest. You'll be appreciated and you'll have the most comfortable working environment along with an excellent salary and benefits. So don't waste your time calling all the other ads that say nothing. Call me at 848-4167. I'd love to have you work here.

DRIVERS/ counter help, part-time, day/ night shift. Apply at Cylbell's Pizza, Montclair, 6468 Moraga Ave.

DRIVERS needed immediately for Pizza Hut, 6341 Shattuck Ave., Oakland. For information call 653-4700, Victor

EXPERIENCED Administrative Assistant General office skills, detail oriented, heavy phones, excellent communication and computer skills for fast paced physician placement company. Benefits. Fax or mail cover letter and resume to: Director, 510-601-8267 or 5335 College Ave., #22 Oakland, CA 94618

FINANCIAL CLERK

Ophthalmology practice 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 4 days/ week. Up to date. Accurate, detail-oriented worker. No telephone calls. Send resume to: Financial Manager, 3300 Webster St., Suite 1110, Oakland 94609

FOOD Server. Now hiring full/part-time, come join a winning team. Must be positive and cheerful. Apply in person: Country Vintages, 1000 Cotton St., Oakland

FRONT OFFICE MANAGER

Fast-paced ophthalmology practice. 40 hours/ week 10:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. No telephone calls. Send resume to: Office Manager, 3300 Webster St., Suite 1110, Oakland 94609

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Beginning a new career. 9-5. No experience. Call Susan 638-0590

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Immediate openings. Need people for all departments. First come first served. Anna 638-0597

JOBS JOBS JOBS

Immediate openings. Management training. No experience necessary. Erle (510) 648-3541

LEAD Optometric Technician. Full-time, apply at Pearl Vision Care, 2236 South Shore Center, Alameda 94501

LEGAL WORD PROCESSOR

Immediate opening for part-time legal word processor. 10 hours per day/ 5 days per week. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. WP 5.1 required. Proven legal transcription skills. Excellent grammar and spelling. Please send resume to: Elaine Harrison, Hardin, Cook, 1999 Harrison St., 18th floor, Oakland, CA 94612

MACHINIST Experienced CNC Mill operator for small growing company. Call 510-430-0806, 9 a.m. 3 p.m.

MANAGEMENT Holy Names College Bookstore looking for entry level assistant manager. Must be outgoing, well-organized and customer service driven. Previous bookstore experience preferred. Apply in person, bring 3 current references. 3500 Mountain Blvd., Oakland. Collett College. Students. EOE, M/F/V/H

MARKETING

Marketing Assistant To \$40,000+! Start working on your New Year's resolution now! Notable East Bay company seeks your 2+ years marketing experience working with trade shows and promotions. Salary depends on experience. Don't let this rare opportunity pass you by! Call 272-9911 or

406 Babysitters & Au Pairs

OUR loving, responsible caregiver needs more work. Car speaks English. Available all Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Tuesday, Thursday mornings 547-6160.

NANNY/RN, level-headed, kind, pediatric experience. Available immediately. Part-time, full-time. Live-out. References. Newborns, twins, 2 family share. 595-8228

OUR loving and responsible Nanny is available on Fridays. Possible share one other day. 531-5066

407 Home Health Care Offered

The following people would like to be hired as Home Health Care Providers. If you are looking for a job as a Home Health Care Provider, please see Categories 401 and 402.

ABLE CARE INC.

Personal, quality 24 hour live-in care and companionship for the elderly and handicapped in the comfort and security of your own home. Bonded and insured. 510-665-4704.

ELDERLY Care/Companion. Excellent local references. fluent English, California driver, good cook and housekeeper. Russian woman MD studying for US exams seeks long term live-in arrangement. International Medical Network (510)846-1232.

A CARING CONNECTION

Bonded, quality home care includes personal care, housekeeping, companionship. Call Karen, 524-9076

408 Employment Exchange

PRIVATE studio, exchange, 3 hours daily housework/ errands. Wife: 2583 Burdick, Oakland, 4602. Fax (510)530-5009

409 Salon Opportunities

HAIRSTYLIST Montclair. Excellent opportunity. Clients required. Station retail. Parking and manicure available. 339-1592, leave message.

ANGELO'S Lending only, one stylist, one manicurist. 12 operator salon, Oakland Hills. Contact Kitty 531-0252

411 Work Wanted

BERKELEY High Students available for part-time work. Career Center 548-5627.

CARE Advocacy—regular visits, check staff to ensure good care for loved one in nursing home. Health Science major, 763-9668.

CLERICAL/ Administrative Assistant, Receptionist with DMV, data entry, banking, Special Projects. 234-9440.

Financial

501 Businesses For Sale

BEAUTY salon—prime Piedmont Avenue location. Immaculate, intact salon. Extended lease, reasonable. 653-3939

502 Business & Commission Opportunities

IS YOUR BUSINESS FOR SALE?

Interested in Acquiring Northern California Manufacturing or Distribution business with a potential for growth. The ideal business should require capital, marketing management and a unique product position.

If you are interested in selling all or part of your business, please send a brief business description and product brochure to: Box K, 6206 La Salle Avenue, Oakland, CA 94611.

TELEVISION Advertising Executive. Start-up television operation seeks experienced sales professional to establish sales department. Excellent ground floor opportunity for the right individual with the ability to take charge and control of their own destiny. Resumes to: 504 Lamey Way, Antioch 94509

For Sale

601 Antiques & Art

OAK wardrobe closet with framed mirror and 2 small, 3 standard dressers. Oak chest of 5 drawers (highboy). 531-9007

CHINESE Ching dynasty, lower portion of court official's robe, exquisitely decorated, superb condition. \$640 464-4569.

CHINESE Cloisonne 10" bowl. Decorated with birds, peonies. Includes teak base, excellent condition. \$275 464-4569.

602 Appliances

WASHERS and dryers. Kenmore-Whirlpool. Reconditioned and rebuilt. Guaranteed 90 days. Delivery available. 548-4418 anytime.

Vintage Gas Stoves

Wedgwood, O'Keefe, etc. Repaired and sold. 14 years experience. Licensed. 841-6711.

REFRIGERATOR, 25 cubic foot. Hotpoint. Side-by-side. Excellent condition. Almond. Extended warranty. \$1,000. 510-530-3260 evenings.

ELECTRIC dryer, Westinghouse, heavy duty, white. Good condition. \$125. 597-1967

WASHER/ Dryer, GE, heavy duty, excellent condition. \$300/pair. 835-4141.

603 Garage & Estate Sales

GARAGE SALE ADS?

See Clip 'n' Go for the Holidays! Classifieds Page A

605 Home Furnishings

MINI-BLINDS

Discount prices on custom Sunflex mini-blinds and Louverdrap pleated shades. Draperies too. Free estimates and installation. Marsh Interiors 569-7540

MATTRESS Sets. Twin, \$69. Full, \$109. Queen, \$159. Scaled, 2200. Sofa with loveseat, \$399. Bunkbeds, \$228. Chest-bed, bedroom sets, roll-aways. Simmons, Sealy, Restonic. 444-1990

SOFA, loveseat, matching chair. Three months old. From condo display. Cost \$1195 sell \$395 888-8127

KING size Beautyrest mattresses \$501. Factory seconds. Excellent condition. Delivery available. 531-8308

SMALL mauve swivel rocker \$75, 13" black/white television \$20, rotisserie \$15, exercise equipment \$10, \$25, 653-6273

54" Round Maple drop leaf table, \$200. 5 foot Mediterranean desk/ chair, \$100. Drafting table. Microwave. \$21-6202

LIKE new, Simmons crib and mattress, natural finish. \$225 or best offer. 451-6543.

MAHOAGAN dresser with mirror \$300. Double bed panel \$175. Nightstand \$75. Good condition. Evenings 881-4849.

CRIB, changing table, high chair, playpen, plus miscellaneous. All top quality. \$500. 835-4141.

SOLID oak, large desk, \$25, 339-0216.

LARGE Pecon dining set/ 6 chairs. China hutah. Sarge. \$950 best offer. 482-9501

SINGLE, white bed frame, matching headboard/ book shelf, mattress, comforter set, 3 years, \$150, 482-4064.

606 Miscellaneous For Sale

FIREWOOD, almond, dry, 16 inch. Free delivery. \$195 Phone 209-669-3724.

NORDIC Track and Nordic Flegold Excellent condition Package \$600 658-9072

MORTUARY Crypt, prime location, Chapel of the Chimes, Piedmont. 805-962-3174.

SKI Christmas Sale. New/ used downhill, cross country equipment. Saturday, Sunday 9-4, weekdays by appointment. 292 Lake St. 893-6130. 1550-339-0111.

BEST offer. 486 SX-33 Tower 4M64K 120M, 1.2 and 1.44, software, keyboard, fax. 482-8720.

MAC Ixv, 4/15mb, 14" color monitor plus extended keyboard \$1000. 658-6478.

STEREO: Home Theater, surround sound, audio system, CD, cassette, EQ, turntable, 4 speakers \$900 510-781-1861.

EXQUISITE heart diamond Ring, \$2,300/ best offer. Antique Puccino Bureau, \$1,800/ best offer. 510-665-4573.

BAHAMA Cruise, 5 day/4 nights. Under booked! Must sell \$279/ couple. Limited tickets, \$1,800/ best offer. 510-665-4573.

ROLEX FX (Date Just) \$150. Brand new. 530-5853

FOR Women who understand value and style! \$20- \$50 off Designer exclusive line (510)530-2489 Appointment

607 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANTED: An old toy train Lionel, Marx, American Flyer. 454-1278

NORDIC TRAK, 1 year old, perfect condition \$200 or best offer. 530-9183

PIANO Kimball upright brown. Excellent condition. Plays well. Asking \$900 Evenings 881-4649

CONSOLE Piano, Kimball Piano and bench, tuned, good condition \$700 or best offer. 531-6170 evenings

609 Pets & Care & Supplies

HORSE Boarding. Full care \$155 Month. Uvermore 510-455-4413

CHRISTMAS Puppies Springer mix. So cute! Ready for new homes Christmas Day, \$50 530-7987

Rentals

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701 Lofts & Live-Work Space

EXPERIENCE HOT LIVING

247 Fourth St. Refined Live/Work Lofts. Authentic industrial area near Jack London Square. 1300-1600 sq ft units. Parking. Call 834-2415

703 Garage & Storage Rentals

LARGE garage near Lakeshore, storage only, safe, secure, \$70 per month, 531-0567.

LARGE carpeted bedroom in home. Glenview District. Storage only. Secure. Easy access. \$60/ month. 531-4357

704 Housing Wanted

MY CHRISTMAS WISH

I am a local designer/ small business owner looking for a great place—can be large studio to home. My top priorities are: Spectacular view, working fireplace, bright and sunny, lots of closet and storage space, hardwood floors, 2 small CLEAN cats allowed, Lake Merritt/ Piedmont areas preferred. Available around January 1. Situation offers are housekeeping to Lease/ Offer. Penthouses and Vintage Deco Buildings a definite plus. Please call Linda 510-536-0516 anytime until midnight or FAX 510-357-3669.

706 Sublets & Short-Term Rentals

\$650 TWO bedroom duplex, Montclair hills, available January 1. March, negotiable, quiet, charming, furnished, 339-3720.

\$995 REDUCED. Furnished 8x rooms, Grand Lake area, Oakland. January. Fine fireplace, skylights, piano, Cable, 2 1/2 bedrooms, 2 baths. (510)485-1557.

\$1850 ROCKRIDGE 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath newly remodeled house. Walk to BART. Hardwood, gourmet kitchen, washer/ dryer, alarm, yard. Available until April. 510-658-6817.

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714 Albany & Kensington


\$666 PGE Beautiful, quiet, furnished 1 bedroom. High beams, skylight, fireplace, tub/ shower, patio 524-3935.

\$720 KENSINGTON 1 bedroom. Near shops and buses. Bay view, sunny, modern. Last month free on 2 year lease. 527-4847.

715 Berkeley

\$627 STUDIO apartment, 5 blocks to Campus, coin laundry, 238-8912.

\$535+ \$26 UTILITIES. Large, sunny, wood shingle building, new carpet, patio, close to BART/shopping, access to pleasant pond, 2930A Adeline. 415-291-9552.



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\$395 COZY Studio apartment, near North Shattuck shops 628-9212

\$452 SUNNY Studio. Clean, quiet, secure. Non-smoking. No pets. Deposit required. Leave information at 874-4799

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Those wishing to register early may do so at the day office, 655 Key Route Blvd., from 8 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. Mail registration is accepted if received by Jan. 6. For more information telephone 559-6580.

Adults with specialized interests may enroll in: watercolors, sign language, financial planning, fiction writing, guitar, education for child-birth, darkroom photography, law for everyday living, furniture refinishing, birding, boating and seamanship, kitchen-bath remodeling, t'ai chi ch'uan, community chorus, Bay Area plants-gardens, investments, and Traffic Violator classes.

A partial listing of new courses includes: Publication Essentials, Creative T-Shirt Design, Income Taxes for Small Businesses, and Comedy-Drama Workshop.

Class schedules and course summaries are available at all local libraries from Berkeley to Pinole and all Albany schools.

Classes at Vista set to begin

Vista Community College in Berkeley begins its spring 1995 semester Jan. 17. Enrollment is open now through Friday, Jan. 27. There is no in-class registration. Registration times are Mondays and Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and 4:30-7 p.m.; and Wednesdays through Fridays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Enrollment for mid-semester classes is open up until the day they begin.

Vista's associate degree and job training programs accommodate those who have diverse work schedules and lifestyles. For example, Vista's Afternoon College is designed for those who go to work mornings or evenings. Evening College is tailored to people who work a more normal 9-to-5 schedule or who have family responsibilities. Morning programs cater to those with busy afternoon and evening agendas.

Vista also has added more general education classes for California state university students who also may not be able to get into lower division courses necessary for graduation. CSU students may enroll concurrently in Vista classes.

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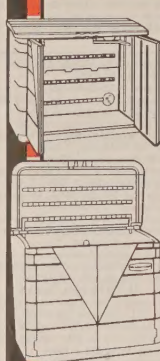
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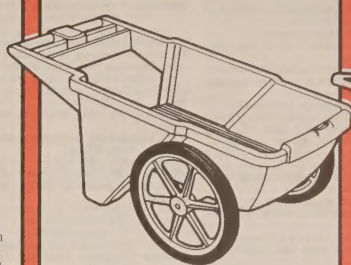


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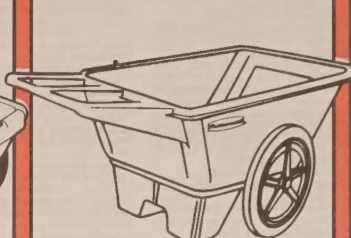
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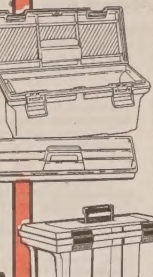


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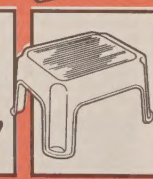
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